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TWO GIANTS OUT IN THE COLD:

Gelei



• Joe Gelei

By PETER SCOTT

Have you ever wondered what has happened to Joe Gelei? Well, wonder no more.

The former Hungarian World Cup star and coach is alive and well in Sydney, and trying to work out the mysteries of free-enterprise capitalism, as it operates in Australia.

Gelei, as you will recall, was appointed full-time manager/coach in late 1978, to lift the ailing fortunes of PSL also-rans St George.

Within two months of the league's kick-off last year, he was out on his ear, to be replaced by Raul Blanco, who, frankly, hasn't done that much better.

Since then Gelei a big, hulking, quietly-spoken and polite bear of a man, has kept silent.

Until recently that is, when he finally split the proverbial beans to a visiting Hungarian journalist, and Gelei's revelations have now seen print in the Budapest sports daily, "Nepsport."

In a frank interview the former St. George "supremo," now working out his contract by looking after juniors and high schools in the district, boldly stated that St. George's com-

mittee did not agree with his dismissal from the top position.

"However, in this club once the president makes his views known everybody else is helpless," he said.

"Incidentally, he loves football, even has an understanding of the game, but in this instance

"Gelei went on to discuss the circumstances of his demotion by St. George president Alex Pongrass.

"Following the eighth round of the 1979 PSL, president Pongrass called me to his office and asked me point blank whether I would like to receive three months' severance pay and fly home to Hungary, or take over the junior program in the district.

"I was flabbergasted and requested 24 hours to think it over."

Gelei recounted the sleepless night he spent before deciding to stay in Sydney until the expiry of his contract on September 15 this year.

As for Alex Pongrass reasons for the firing of Gelei, he diplomatically explained that for St. George "looking after the juniors is a very important task".

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The moment of glory

Triumphant Australian captain Eddie Krncevic holds up the Oceania Cup which the young Socceroos won after beating Tahiti 4-2 in the final in Noumea. The Australians are in Tahiti shirts, after having swapped with opposing players.

taken by UTE GUTENDORF, wife of national coach Rudi Gutendorf, during the Cup tournament.

• A double-page spread of Ute's pictures, exclusive to "Soccer Action", appears on pages 8 and 9 of this issue.

Melbourne favored again



FIFA officials Sopp Blatter, Rene Courte and Harry Cavan were impressed by plans for the modernisation and extensions to Olympic Park when they visited Melbourne last week.

They were touring proposed venues for the Coca-Cola World Youth Championship games next year, and it is expected that they will favor Melbourne for the final.

They have expressed the opinion that a rectangular stadium like Olympic Park would be more suitable than the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Pictured from left: ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein, Olympic Park director Frank White, VSF secretary George Wallace (rear), Sopp Blatter (front), ASF youth development officer Brian Emery, Olympic Park chairman Ted East, Harry Cavan, Olympic Park deputy director Gordon Holmers, Rene Courte.

Iran 'better than 1978'

Iran is stronger now than it was in the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina, according to national coach Rudi Gutendorf.

Gutendorf flew to Singapore to watch Iran win its qualifying round for the Olympic soccer finals.

In beating Singapore 4-0 in the tournament final, and Sri Lanka 11-0 in an earlier match, Iran showed it is not a spent force, as everyone had imagined.

Gutendorf said the present Iran team includes five members of the team that played in the 1978 World Cup finals.

Some of the Iranian players well-known to the Socceroos are Nasser Hejazi, Nasrullah Abdullahi, Hossein Faraki, captain Ali Parvin and Beh-tash Fariba.

Lt. Col. Nasser, chief of the Iranian tour party, told Gutendorf that the players were now being motivated to play in the cause of the revolution, rather than for money.

"He told me he was sure Iran will qualify for the World Cup, and he considers South Korea and Australia will provide the strongest challenge," Gutendorf said.

"Iran did nothing during 11 months of the revolution, then they played four times against the Soviet Union, winning twice and losing twice."

"They went into training camp for no less than three and a half months for the Olympic qualifying series and during that period, they had only two weekends off."

Gutendorf said Iran would be Australia's toughest World Cup opponent. He was not impressed by North Korea in its 2-1 victory over India. He will watch South Korea in Kuala Lumpur in two weeks' time. — LAURIE SCHWAB.

Munro



• Frank Munro

South Melbourne has sacked its Scottish international defender Frank Munro.

Munro has been placed on the transfer list after a turbulent six months, during which he issued a writ against South Melbourne for alleged breach of contract and was suspended for criticising the club in a "Soccer Action" interview.

Munro said in the interview "The running of the (South Melbourne) club must improve. The administration has made mistakes and must not repeat them... if the club is to be successful there must be changes."

He also said South Melbourne's first team squad was too big, a comment which angered the administration.

South Melbourne settled out of court after Munro issued the writ.

The former Dundee Utd, Aberdeen, Wolves and Celtic centre half cost South Melbourne \$20,000 in 1978.

However, South Melbourne president Sam Pappasavas said the club is willing to release Munro for "any reasonable offer."

Munro's sacking comes just two weeks after he was dropped from the team by coach John Margaritis, and replaced by youngster Steve Blair.

He has now come to the end of the road with South Melbourne, and possibly may be snapped up by a Victorian State league club as player-coach.

Meanwhile, Mendo Ristovski asked South Melbourne for a transfer but withdrew the request soon afterwards. — KYLE PATTERSON

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PSL must work to revive the public's interest

What's wrong with soccer? Have people lost interest or was the poor first-round attendance due to the rain and petrol strike in Sydney?

Soccer is booming at junior level, but suddenly the big league has gone silent.

Even the enthusiasm of the players seems to have waned.

Whereas we used to see club T-shirts, badges, ties, and other souvenirs at many grounds, this paraphernalia isn't as common anymore — Newcastle excluded.

Matches between South Melbourne and Heidelberg United always have drawn more than 10,000 people. In the first round, though, it drew only just over 8000 — of whom 6661 paid.

The league bosses must monitor the situation closely in the next few weeks.

If things do not improve, the clubs and the league administrators must get together for crisis talks aimed at reviving enthusiasm among the public.

Congratulations are due to coach Mick Jones, his players and the hard-working committee of Blackburn for their fine start to the league season, with that 4-2 victory over St. George.

However, it doesn't say much for our soccer that Charlton, at his age, and Stowell, whose career had been over, can step into Australia's biggest league and steer a team to such a victory.

We should be ashamed that we were unable to produce a new, young player for the position Stowell had to fill. And we should be worried indeed that an old player like Charlton can make such an impression on a game at this level.

I appeal to the bosses of Canberra City to give Vic Fernandez a fair go.



RALE RASIC

Canberra has spent a lot of money on new players, but it takes time to build them into a successful team. Coach Fernandez must be given time.

There is outstanding talent at Canberra and Fernandez will deliver the goods, but the job cannot be done overnight.

In so saying, I must congratulate Brisbane Lions for their fine 4-2 victory over Canberra. That result surely made Lions the team of the first round.

MASON STAYS

Midfielder Craig Mason will stay with Newcastle KB United after all, because the club has cut down the number of "temporary residency" players on its books.

Mason, Mark Trenter and Paul Reaney are the only players left with temporary residence status.

This follows the granting of permanent residency to Graham Heys, Jim Preston and David Jones, even though they have been in Australia for only three years.

Mason was going to transfer to Rapid West Point in Hobart because Newcastle wanted to cut down on its temporary residency players.

'ROOS TO FACE GEORGE BEST?

By BRUCE WADDELL

Controversial soccer superstar George Best looks certain to play in Australia later this year.

Chairman of the Northern Ireland Football Association, Mr. Harry Cavan, said Best would be considered for the national team, which will tour Australia in June as part of the Centenary celebrations.

Mr. Cavan was one of three FIFA officials in Australia last week to make preliminary inspections of venues for the 1981 World Youth tournament in October next year.

He was speaking in Brisbane after looking at possible venues in Adelaide and Melbourne. Mr. Cavan was accompanied by Switzerland's Sepp Blatter and Luxembourg's Rene Courte and after leaving Brisbane the group was to make ground inspections in Sydney and Newcastle.

Mr. Courte, the Assistant Senior Secretary of FIFA, was then due to fly to Barcelona to examine preparations for the 1982 World Cup in Spain.

Mr. Cavan, who has been the Northern Ireland chairman for 25 years, and on the committee for 43 years, said he hoped to accompany the national team to Australia in June. "Originally we were to leave Belfast on June 9, but the ASF now wants it put back to June 18, which could cause a bit of a problem," he said.

"We have a lot of our national team players involved with English clubs and a later tour to Australia would clash with the start of the 1980-1981 season."

One could not dispute the first part of that statement, considering the high percentage of Irishmen involved in last year's FA cup final between Arsenal and Manchester United.

Mr. Cavan naturally would be well qualified to comment on the career of the wayward best. "Despite everything he has done wrong, he is still idolised by thousands of football supporters."

"Just look at how he tripled home gates for Hibernian and how he was subsequently given a second chance by the club."

"We never had the slightest bit of trouble with Best when he played for Northern Ireland and I can see no reason why he should not come to Australia if he is playing well enough," Mr. Cavan added.

The grounds inspected in Brisbane were Rugby League headquarters, Lang Park, the Commonwealth Games QE 2 Stadium at Nathan and the Exhibition showgrounds.

Perry Park is not big enough to handle the expected crowds of between 15,000 and 20,000 although it has by far the best playing surface for soccer.

QE 2 is reportedly not big enough to accommodate an international size pitch, something which was incredibly overlooked when it was built.

The exhibition ground can hold over 30,000 spectators but has no suitable press facilities. Lang Park seems to be the favorite, although the major problem would be the state of the playing surface once League players had finished with it during the season.

But it is a tremendous football stadium, and as the league season usually finishes in September there would be time to improve the surface before the tournament begins.



George Best

Victoria not champion yet, says Queensland's coach

Victoria should wait until after the Queen's Birthday holiday in June before declaring itself the champion Australian soccer state.

The comment was made this week by Ron Smith, Queensland's new Director of Coaching, who will be in charge of the State side which meets Victoria at Perry Park in the first clash between the two states in 17 years.

Smith made the challenge after reading a report of the match between Victoria and New South Wales in a recent edition of 'Soccer Action'.

Reporter Kyle Patterson, in reviewing the match, said: "Victoria is now the champion of Australia by default."

He also said: "What hope would Victoria have of drawing large crowds against the unglamorous State sides of Queensland and South Australia."

"I have not been in Queensland very long, but I know that the Queensland team has had some reasonable results against touring sides Wisla Krakow, Dundee and Norwich City in the last couple of seasons," Smith said.

"And I fail to see how a team which contains players like George Potter, Jim Hermiston, John Coyne, Steve Perry and Col Bennett could be termed unglamorous."

Smith claims also that Queensland will have an advantage when it comes to the selection of the respective teams.

"Victoria's players come from three PSL teams and there is usually a high proportion of State League players."

"In the past, the Queensland team has been comprised mainly of players from Brisbane City and Brisbane Lions, so at least they will be accustomed to playing with one another," he said.

Smith lived in Melbourne for some time before returning to England, and following an appointment in Iceland he came to Queensland.

So he should know a good deal about the form and ability of most of the Victorian players.

"I realise Victoria has the score on the board against top overseas opposition in recent seasons, but I feel everyone should wait until June before aspiring to be called champions of Australia."

— BRUCE WADDELL.



Queensland's coach Ron Smith.



Victoria's coach Len McKendry.



Queensland defender Jim Hermiston and goalkeeper Nigel Lownds of Brisbane Lions.



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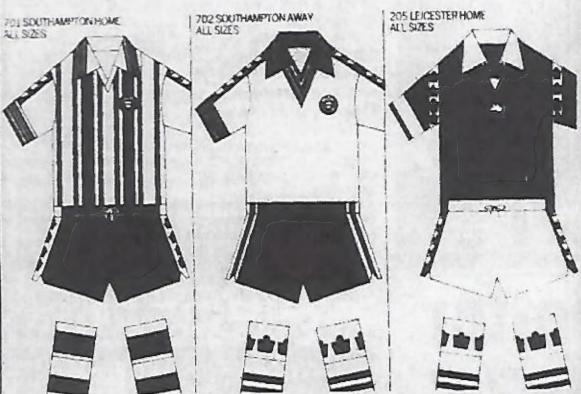
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You can't be too careful....



TOM ANDERSON

Gutendorf needs help

Which is more important to Australian soccer — to qualify for the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain or the 1981 world youth championship?

It's a decision that our administrators will have to make one way or another. Sure both are important, but with the elimination games of the World Cup being played next year, there is bound to be a conflict of interests between these games and the World Youth Championship.

This is of course providing the Socceroos win their Oceania zone elimination games early in the year.

They then would be scheduled to play off against the winners of the Asian zones and this is likely to be around October — the same time as the World Youth Championships are to be staged here in Australia.

ASF officials are adamant that arrangements will be made to have the elimination games played before or after the youth championships.

But even then, there will be problems. For let's face it, there is no way that national coach Rudi Gutendorf can concentrate his efforts on getting his Socceroos to Spain and also prepare the youth team.

Gutendorf's a human being, not a programmed robot.

And I'm sure that Rudi Gutendorf's top priority is Spain and the really big one — the World Cup finals.

For that's the one thing that could really get soccer back into the limelight in Australia again — to play against the world's best in Spain in '82.

When we reached the finals in West Germany in 1974, the interest in soccer was at an all time high.

But unfortunately the game did not take off the way it should have, because of tragic happenings within the ranks of the game.

Now I believe we are poised to get back into a winning position and this must not be jeopardised — even by the World Youth Championships.

For me, it's time these World Youth Championships were put into their proper perspective.

Sure it's an honor having them here and all the sponsorship money that Coca-Cola is

throwing in behind them, is good to have.

But a number of people are getting carried away and have gone overboard at the thought of the Youth Championships.

Maybe it's the idea of hobnobbing with FIFA officials that has turned their heads. I don't know, but it's time they came back to reality and saw the position in its true light.

Despite all the ballyhoo some people would like us to believe, the youth championships are not in the same class as the World Cup finals.

Being a realist and not a pessimist or an optimist, we are not going to get the mammoth crowds expected at these youth championships.

I think that many of us who are prepared to face the facts and come out and say so, know this to be true.

The argument against this is that big crowds turned out to watch the Cosmos — but there will be no household names such as Franz Beckenbauer, Johan Neeskens, Marinho or Bogicevic in the youth teams.

I hope I'm wrong in this, but knowing the Australian public, they will be loathe to turn out to watch unknowns in action.

Anyway, it is my opinion that steps must now be taken to avoid any clashes between the World Cup squad and the youth championships.

Two assistants to help him with the senior squad and the other to take control (under the direction of Gutendorf) of the youth squad.

Why this hasn't been done already is just another failing in our present set-up.

It is to be hoped that our officials quickly realise the problems that could occur next year and plan accordingly.

If they don't then there will be one unholly dustup and we can kiss Spain and the 1982 World Cup finals goodbye.

To Blacktown City goes the thought of the week....

There are only three things against which there is no adequate defence — the Atom bomb, stupidity and the Marconi attack.

Being a Roo is a dream come true

Being named by Rudi Gutendorf as one of his 14 'certainties' for the World Cup preliminary games squad is a great boost to me.

I missed the Australian team's games against Czechoslovakia because I was on holiday in England and thought I would have to put a lot of effort into playing to win a permanent place in the squad.

I haven't had the chance to speak to Rudi since the tour of China in November last year but it's good to know that I'm still part of his plans.

That doesn't mean I will be relaxing now.

But Rudi's announcement of his first 14 takes a bit of pressure off me. I now will be able to concentrate on playing well and scoring goals for Sydney City, instead of having to worry about impressing Rudi to earn a recall to the national side.

I understand the Australian team copped a bit of criticism after the first two games against the Czechs. However, the 2-2 draw in Melbourne was a great result and just shows that the team has the ability to play against top opposition.

Make no mistake, the Australian team is full of ability. There are many excellent players in the squad and the team played some good football on the tour of China.

The problem facing Rudi is to get the team together, to find the correct balance and to get the team working properly as a unit.

He can do this only if the players spend a lot of time together, but this isn't always possible.

For a start, they are scattered between Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Adelaide, and there is always the problem of time and transportation costs when considering a training camp.

The Philips League competition doesn't allow the players to be away from their clubs, because each has its own games and training sessions to worry about.

Unfortunately, the Australian team will suffer in the long run if the players don't spend enough time together.

As well as having a lot of ability, the present Socceroos get on well together. In China, they were one big happy bunch.

There were no hassles if one player was picked and another wasn't. The players had the attitude of 'If I'm picked I'm in; if not I'll support the team.'



BY KEN BODEN

On the Ball

The Player's Viewpoint



For example, if Eddie Krncevic was picked at centre forward ahead of Mark Jankovic, Mark would still encourage Eddie and wish him luck.

It's rare to see that sort of understanding between players in a big squad in which every player has a chance of making the team.

The tour of China was a success for us, but the Chinese teams weren't that good. It's not fair to gauge the team's progress on those results.

Gutendorf has decided to use me as an attacking midfielder in the national team and I'm happy to play in that position.

I played as a striker for two seasons with Newcastle Utd, and will play up front with my new club, Sydney City.

However, it's not hard to adjust to midfield when playing for the national team.

It means I have more space in which to work and thus have more time to control the ball and find a pass.

Up front, I'm always marked closely and, of course, strikers come in for more 'rough stuff' from defenders.

Rudi wants me to play a role in which I can pick up the ball in midfield, play an early pass forward and then move into an attacking position to support the strikers.

In this role, I get to run at defenders and take them on when I'm attacking. I prefer this style of play, rather than having to shield and turn with the ball, with defenders on my back.

Gutendorf's plans call for man-to-man marking all over the field. He used this tactic against the New York Cosmos, and also, I'm told, against Czechoslovakia.

I don't mind this tactic, but it makes things hard for me. There are times when I push forward in support, but the move breaks down.

When that happens, I some-

times have to run 45 metres to pick up my opponent. The problem is compounded if the opposition attacks quickly, making it nearly impossible for me to recover the lost ground in time.

That would mean my opponent would be unmarked and able to find some room in attack, causing danger to our defence.

It is problems such as this that could be worked on and solved if the team were able to spend more time together.

The only other slight problem I face in the 'man-to-man' system is in heading duels. Because of my size, or lack of it, a taller opponent would worry me in the air.

I was delighted that my new team Sydney City had a flying start in the PSL championship with a victory over reigning premiers Marconi.

The name K. Boden was added to the scorers' list, and I was happy with that.

However, my PSL debut for Sydney City was a little strange, mainly because of the small crowd at the game.

Running out to play with Newcastle, I could expect to have perhaps a 10,000 crowd behind the team.

But with Sydney City in that game with Marconi, I had to stop and look around to see a few spectators scattered around the Sports Ground arena.

It's good to have a crowd behind you, especially if your team scores a goal. The chanting of the fans then lifts the players and drives them to better things.

However, most of the time I don't notice the crowd — whether it's big or small — because I'm concentrating 100% on my game.

My decision to join Sydney City was directly affected by Newcastle Utd. I had a tremendous offer from Canberra City and spent two days in Canberra looking around.

But my wife and I still have many friends in Newcastle and decided that if I joined a Sydney club, we wouldn't be too far away from them.

Living and playing in Sydney, I can still visit my friends regularly, and go to watch Newcastle Utd play every now and then.

In all honesty, making the decision to leave Newcastle

was harder than deciding to leave England.

But I have to look after myself and what I wanted couldn't be found in Newcastle.

After sampling Sydney City's brand of football, I'm sure I'm going to enjoy this season more than I have the past two.

Sydney City likes to play the ball out of defence, and knock the ball around to find an opening.

When the ball is played forward, most of the time Terry Smith is the target. He's a big lad, and has plenty of skill, and already I've worked out a good understanding with him.

Terry's strength takes weight off my shoulders and his lay-offs give me the chance to pick up the ball and run at defenders.

And when the defence knocks the ball around, it gives me the chance to lose my marker.

At Newcastle, the ball was often pumped forward. The goalkeeper would roll the ball to a full back, and he would knock a long ball forward.

This put pressure on me, as I would have to move into position to collect with defenders close behind me. I took a lot of 'stick', with defenders crashing into the back of me.

But I'm not criticising Newcastle's style of play. Sydney City is lucky enough to have a talented team, which can play some great football.

Smith, Murray Barnes and Joe Watson are excellent players, and I'm looking forward to this season with them.

There's a long way to go, but I think Sydney City will go close to winning the championship. However, just because we beat Marconi, it doesn't mean we are home and hosed.

I'm also looking forward to playing with the Australian team.

You know, when I came to Australia I never thought about playing with the national team. I intended to stay in Australia two years, and then go back home.

But playing international soccer is like a dream come true. And to have a chance to play in the World Cup finals is something I never thought would happen.

I originally thought Australia would be a short-term thing for me, but now I don't know. I see Jimmy Rooney still going at 34, and realise a player can never be sure of his future.

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THIS WEEK'S VOTES

HEIDELBERG 4 WEST ADELAIDE 2 at Olympic Park. Ratings by Laurie Schwab.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 7 — McMillan 9, Yzendoorn 7, Bannan 9, Tansey 8 — Campbell 8, Selemidis 8, Rooney 8 — Boziskas 7, Paton 7, Cole 9.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 8 — Topolanski 7 — McGregor 5, Forde 5, Tymczyszyn 5, (Totsiakas 5, half time), Bozanic 6 — Atsals 6, Carruthers 9 — Honeneyman 6, Kosmina 7, Boyle 6.

NEWCASTLE KB UTD 0 SYDNEY CITY 3 at International Sports Centre, Newcastle. Ratings by Joe Lanzoni.

NEWCASTLE: Preston 8 — Reaney 7, Summerscales 6, Drinkwater 6, Curran 6 — Senkalski 6, Bertogna 6 (Mason 80th min), Tredinnick 7 — Hays 6, Trentor 7, Jones 7 (Burrows 71st min).

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 8 — Souness 8, Thompson 7 (Spans 75th min), O'Connor 7 (Patikas 85th min), Bruce 7 — Stevenson 8, Barnes 8, Watson 8 — Borges 7, Boden 7, Silva 8.

BRISBANE LIONS 1 SOUTH MELBOURNE 2 at Lions Stadium. Ratings by Bruce Waddell:
LIONS: Lownds 7 — Ontong 6 (Hogg 70th), Bennett 7, Hemmiston 8, Niven 8 — Lindsay 6, Millman 7, Wilson 8 — Reid 6, McNaughton 6, McGregor 6 (Hughes 6, 55th).

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets 8 — V. Bannan 9, Xanthopoulos 7, Blair 7, Lutton 6 — Christopoulos 7, Rogers 8, Wright 7 (Kalafatis 6, 55th) — Evans 7, Buljevic 6, Campbell 8.

MARCONI 9 BLACKTOWN 0 at Marconi Oval Ratings by Roger Sherack:

MARCONI: Maher 8, Brogan 6, Prskalo 8, Mariani 8, Degney 7, Byrne 8, Vieri 9, Raskopoulos 8, Jankovics 8, Krnevic 10, Sharne 9.

BLACKTOWN: James 5, Harris 5, Stowell 5, Turnbull 8, Taylor 6, (Pena 5 — 45th), Harding 5, Ortega 5 (Dolton 73), Amey 6, Wilkinson 5, Pollard 6, Fisher 6.

ADELAIDE CITY 0 BRISBANE CITY 0 at Olympic Sports Field, Adelaide. Ratings by Memo Toutasidis.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 7, Dadds 6, Jones 7, Russell 7, B. Nyskohus 8, Perin 7 (Muir), Muniz 6 (Melta), Northcote 7, Deans 7, J. Nyskohus 7, Marocchi 8.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 8, Potter 7, Ratcliffe 7, Perry 7, Gaffney 6, Palinkas 6, Low 7, Caldwell 6, Kelso 7, Coyne 7, Wilkinson 7.

ST GEORGE 1 LEICHHARDT 0 at St George Stadium. Ratings by Tom Anderson.

ST GEORGE: Smith 7, Groome 6, Terry 6, Urtesenovic 8, McIntosh 7, Kay 8, Katholos 9, Davies 8, Mihajlovic 6, (Buloch 6), Beggs 7, Griffiths 7.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 7, McGinn 8, McAusland 6, Dempsey 7, Wilson 8, Stone 7, O'Donnell 5 (Pullen 6), Bradley 6, Drews 6, Morsello 6, O'Connor 8.

Leading ratings:

9.0 V. Bannan (SM), Boland (F).
8.5 Laumets (SM), Krnevic (Marc), Turnbull (Black).

8.0 Carruthers, Topolanski (WA), Souness, Silva, Watson, Barnes, Boden, Stevenson, Clarke (SC), Blair (SM), Prskalo (Marc), McMillan, Yzendoorn, P. Bannan, Tansey, Selemidis, Cole (H'berg), Kondarios, O'Reilly, Jovanovic (F), J. O'Shea (Can), Hermison (BL), Wishart (BC), P. O'Connor (APIA), Marocchi (AC).

Gelei took young Saints to title

● From page one

Joe Gelei has had a distinguished career, both as player and as coach.

He is a former Hungarian youth, junior, B and full international and was a member of the Olympic champion side in 1964. An outstanding goalkeeper with top clubs MTK and Tatabanya, he later chose the career of coach — which in Hungary means security, unless the Football Association agrees to severance of a contract before its expiry.

At Tatabanya he was assistant to the famed Dr Karoly Lakat, who also coached the Olympic side and is the current manager-coach of the Hungarian national squad.

This was followed by coaching stints with second division Szolnok and as assistant coach at first division Vass, before coming to Sydney.

Then the crash . . .

"I don't believe I have anything to be ashamed of," Gelei said. "When I arrived here I took over a squad of 24 players, made up of eight nationalities, some of whom couldn't speak English."

"The previous year St George looked like wooden-spooners for a long time, before they brought out Tottenham midfielders Ralph Coates who, in the eleventh hour, managed to pull them into seventh spot."

"Unfortunately, by the time I took over as coach, he had returned to Britain."

In spite of these problems, Gelei points with pride to fourth placing in last year's Ampol Cup.

"Not bad for a start I thought to myself, but it seems I was wrong," he remembered.

"The first niggles came my way at that time, claiming that I had overworked the players and letting me know I would be the scapegoat if we didn't do too well in the PSL."

"Imagine their reaction when we gathered only two points in the first eight games, that was the crunch!"

Was Alex Pongrass correct in his assessment of the situation?

"That's quite a question. You shouldn't forget that I am an employee of St George and criticism of the club's leaders is a highly dangerous course of action."

"Let me just reiterate that the squad of players at my disposal was of extremely low standard."

As for the "fortunes" of St George since Gelei's dismissal?

The team finished eleventh in last year's PSL and was threatened with relegation almost to the very end, and started off this year with a 4-2 loss against rookies Blacktown City.

Not a terribly distinguished record by any measure.

In the meantime rumors spread wildly in Budapest, in the manner which can be matched by few other cities in the world.

Gelei has failed, is unemployed, has decided not to return to Hungary . . .

Well, Gelei maintains that come September he and his family will be on a plane to Hungary.

His older son Joe already has returned home to continue his studies for matriculation, while wife Emmy and 15 year old Charlie are still in Sydney.

"I also put a lot of effort into junior work."

"When I took over the under-21 team, they were in eighth place after 10 rounds."

"You should have seen everyone's surprise when we went on to win the championship!" he remembered fondly.

Wife Emmy, not afflicted by her husband's modesty, pointed out that Gelei also regularly visits 25 high schools, where he holds clinics, signs up talented youngsters and generally helps in popularising soccer.

He also has managed to organise an age-group championship.

"Joe is on the run from 6 am to late at night," she said.

Gelei, of course, praises his employers.

"They kept all their promises, a nice flat, good salary and I made many new friends."

"But . . . if they only had a little patience in the search for success," he said wistfully.

As a result of the "Gelei Affair", this well credentialed coach lives in a nice flat, which is not a home, contains no individual touches.

"We are not buying anything or spending money on the flat, as we'll be going home," Emmy said.

As for Australian soccer, while nobody knows whether Gelei would have succeeded or not, publicity of the kind which appeared in the Budapest newspaper can do nothing for the esteem in which this far outpost of world soccer is held overseas.

Neither will we ever know whether Joe Gelei could have made a meaningful contribution to our soccer.

And St George? Nobody would be foolish enough to claim that things are much better now than they were this time last year!



This shot by Gary Cole beat goalkeeper Martyn Crook, but rolled past the post. Cole notched a hat-trick for Heidelberg against West Adelaide but could have got more. Picture by STEVE CHATZIS.

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Ampol final to draw 10,000

The NSW Ampol Cup final between Olympic and Croatia on Friday night at the Sydney Sports Ground will be seen by an estimated 10,000 spectators.

With crowds well below par in the first round of the State League, the NSW Soccer Federation will certainly be smiling as the two teams line up for what promises to be an entertaining game of soccer.

Let's look at the possible line-ups for Friday:
SYDNEY OLYMPIC

Greg Ankudinoff Ken Wilson Billy Palmer Mike Cross
Ian Rowden Derek Laing Housseini Housseini
Peter Hensman Clive Eaton Andy Scott
SYDNEY CROATIA

Steve Watson
Andrija Kovacic Brun Capal Tom Basic Greg Smith
Wahy Savor Zdenko Kafka Peter Mullen
Marian Kovacic Kevin Coleman Maurice Sullivan

PSL leaders clash for first place

First place on the Philips League ladder is at stake when Sydney City (first) meet Heidelberg United (second) at the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday.

If they draw, South Melbourne Hellas could jump into to place on goal difference, provided it scores a substantial victory over West Adelaide at Hindmarsh Stadium.

Footscray's match against Canberra was called off last Saturday when the Canberra team was unable to get a plane, so potentially, Footscray is in the four ahead of Marconi.

It can strengthen its position by beating Brisbane Lions at Middle Park in the only Saturday match of the round.

IN SYDNEY

Sydney City v Heidelberg (draw) at Sydney Sports Ground, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — SC 3-1, 1-1; 1978 — SC 2-1, 1-1; 1979 — H'berg 3-2, 3-1. Two wins each and two draws.

Blacktown City v NEWCASTLE KB UTD at Gabble Stadium, Sunday 3 pm. No previous results.

APIA-Leichhardt v MARCONI at Lambert Park, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1979 — Marc 2-0, 0-0.

IN ADELAIDE

West Adelaide v SOUTH MELBOURNE at Hindmarsh, Sunday, 2.30 pm. Previous results, 1977 — WA 2-1, 1-1; 1978 — WA 2-0, 3-1; 1979 — WA 4-3, SM 1-0. Advantage: West Adelaide 4 wins, 1 draw 1 loss, goals: 12-6.

IN MELBOURNE

Footscray J.U.S.T. v Brisbane Lions at Middle Park.

Saturday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — F 4-2, BL 2-0; 1978 — F 4-0, 0-0; 1979 — F 3-1, BL 1-0. Advantage: Footscray 3 wins 1 draw, 2 losses, goals: 11-5.

IN BRISBANE

Brisbane City v St George at Perry Park, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — St. G. 3-2; 1-1; 1978 — St. G. 4-1, 2-0; 1979 — BC 4-0, 1-0. Advantage: St George 3 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses, goals: 9-9.

IN CANBERRA

Canberra City v Adelaide City (draw) at Bruce Stadium, Sunday 3 pm. Previous results, 1977 — AC 2-0, 1-1; 1978 — AC 3-1, 2-2; 1979 — AC 2-2, 2-0. Advantage: Adelaide City 4 wins, 2 draws, no losses, goals: 12-5.

Tribute to Baker

David Baker Testimonial Match — **HAKOAH ST KILDA 0 ESSENDON CROATIA 1** (Cumming 41st min) at Middle Park. Crowd: 1,000.

HAKOAH: O'Hara 6 — Wilson 5 (Gibson 74th min), Owen 6, Baker 7, Rooney 7 — Rigby 7, Gadeby 5, Jordanou 6, Mackey 6 (McNeill 5, half time) — Armstrong 6 (Torque 5, half time), French 6.

CROATIA: Blasby 6 — Short 6, Kokoaka 7, Gardiner 6, Adama 6 — Murphy 6, Tront 6, Culina 5 (Klarin half time) — Cumming 7 (Andrews 81st min), Glider 6, Batnovic 5.

Referee: Jack Readshaw.

Hakoah veteran David Baker was presented with a trophy to commemorate his 14 years with the club at an official function at the South Melbourne Social Club last Sunday night.

Baker, who joined Hakoah in April, 1966, was awarded a Testimonial Match in gratitude for his loyal service to Hakoah.

Players from both Croatia and Hakoah lined up and applauded Baker onto the ground before the match.

Hakoah chairman Dennis Krongold and VSF secretary George Wallace made speeches praising Baker before the game, and Wallace presented all players, referee Jack Readshaw and his line-men with special medallions to mark the occasion.

But Baker's day was perhaps spoilt a little by the disappointing attendance, and the standard of play, which didn't rise above the ordinary.

Croatia won 1-0 with a goal from Tommy Cumming in the 41st minute.

The Baker Testimonial perhaps fell victim to the current wave of apathy from the public towards friendly or non-official games.

It was good to see veterans Jimmy Mackay and Jim Armstrong making guest appearances for Hakoah.

Although the pace has gone, Armstrong and Mackay showed a few glimpses of the class that made them top players. — KYLE PATTERSON



One way of making sure you get the ball ahead of your opponent is to hold him by the shirt, as West Adelaide's Peter Boyle is pictured doing to Heidelberg's John Yzdoom. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

Big prize for goals

The 1980 Philips League top scorer will win a return trip to Europe, through "Soccer Action".

The trip will be provided through Goldair of Shop 44, Upper Plaza, Southern Cross Hotel, Melbourne.

It is the third Philips League award run by "Soccer Action".

The best player will receive a return trip for two to Europe, flying Yugoslav Airlines, and the Goalkeeper of the Year will win a valuable watch from Konstantine Jewel Box.

New post

Fred Hutchinson has relinquished his post as chairman of the Victorian Referees' Committee to become a member of the VSF Appeals Board. A referee in the fifties, Hutchinson later served on the committees of Ringwood, Wilmshina and Hakoah.

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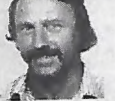
TOP SCORER'S AWARD

A return trip for one to Europe, courtesy of Goldar, for the 1980 top scorer in the Philips League. In case of a tie, goals in Philips Cup games will be taken into account. The air ticket is non-transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash.

Bruce Waddell

Meno Toutsidis

Joe Lanzoni



Lions' sad homecoming

BRISBANE LIONS 1
SOUTH MELBOURNE 2

Goals, Lions: Reid 50th; St Melb: Campbell 3rd, Rogers 67th.
Ground: Lions Stadium.
Crowd: about 2000.
Referee: Dave Nugent 7.
Brisbane Lions had their plans for a celebration shattered when they were defeated by South Melbourne in the inaugural Philips League match at Lions' home stadium.
Lions were playing for the first time at their home ground since the inception of the league and were joined when diminutive South Melbourne winger George Campbell scored after only three minutes.

Campbell hammered a shot past keeper Nigel Lownds after running onto a clever backheel by Branko Buljevic seconds after Lions striker, Graeme Wilson had blasted a shot over the South Melbourne bar.

Campbell proved to be the master on the field with his jinking runs and clever ball skills which constantly worried the Lions defence. Vince Bannon was also outstanding.
Lions levelled the scores shortly after half time when John Reid picked up a rebound off the upright and blasted past South keeper, Peter Laumens in the 50th minute.

Lions appeared to be well in control at this stage but they underestimated the speed and stamina of South Melbourne in the humid conditions.

The visitors were unlucky not to score in the 65th minute when Lownds tipped a cross from Vince Bannon over the bar as Campbell stood waiting for a mistake.

The winning goal came midway through the second half as Bill Rogers received a perfectly floated cross from Campbell on the right wing to head to the back of the net.

Watters away

Altona City (Vic) midfielder George Watters is seeking a transfer.
Watters, 26, joined from St. Albans and has had 95 State League games.

He was Altona's best and fastest player in 1978. Watters can be contacted on 363 6140.

For sale

Werribee (Vic) has put John Martin and Stan Kain on the transfer list.

Martin, the former Footscray JUST midfielder, and Kain, a defender with Polonia and Green Gully, are experienced players.

Any clubs interested in the two should contact Werribee team manager Joe Digiochino on 741 2078.

Terry No 1

England midfielder Terry McDermott of Liverpool has been voted player of the year by his fellow professionals in English League soccer.

The award for young player of the year, went to Tottenham's Glenn Hodges.

Muir new weapon?

ADELAIDE CITY 0
BRISBANE CITY 0

Ground: Olympic Sports Field.
Crowd: 3,100.
Weather: Fine and warm.
Cautions: Caldwell and Kelso (Brisbane City).

Jimbo Muir, the big Scot who was transfer-listed pre-season, almost ended a three-year hoodoo for Adelaide City.

Muir, a second half substitute, harassed Brisbane City's defence in an energetic display and was denied a last minute goal after a piece of desperate defence.

Muir headed the ball powerfully to the top left-hand corner but David Ratcliffe raced in to scramble it away.

If the ball had gone in, it would have been Adelaide City's first season opening home win.

In 1977 it played a 0-0 draw with Brisbane Lions, it lost 1-0 to Footscray in 1978 and last year went down 4-2 to Brisbane City.

Certainly Adelaide City did enough to get both points although the match produced little constructive play.

Brisbane goalkeeper Kim Wishart was the main reason why Adelaide could not score.

He saved his side repeatedly, particularly late in the game when he blocked attempts by Brian Northcote and Dixie Deans.

Brisbane's \$17,500 recruit Joe Palinkas, who had a quiet game, found space to face onto a through ball in the 18th minute but after rounding Peter Marshall wasted his chance with a meek shot which was blocked by a defender.

From the corner kick, Billy Wilkinson powered a good header over the bar.

Bugy Nyskous and Gary Marocchi were key men in Adelaide's early charge.

Marocchi in particular is rapidly regaining the form which put him into the Australian team.

However his former Soccerco team mate Agenor Muniz is not having such a happy period.

He was eventually substituted in the 57th minute — a move which resulted in a heated exchange with coach Rade Rasic.

Dixie Deans could have added another goal to his tally just before half time, but he inched his shot over the bar with Wishart stranded.

The break Adelaide had been waiting for almost came just after the restart but Marocchi watched helplessly as his header struck the bar.

Adelaide's chances rose sharply with the introduction of Muir.

Muir's height and aggression clearly upset some Brisbane defenders, and after his goal last week, against Leichhardt, Rasic could use him permanently up front.

Although the result was disappointing for Adelaide City, which along with Brisbane, remains winless after two rounds, it is probably only a few weeks away from hitting its "straps".

Its biggest problem at the moment is lack of scoring power, and if coach Rasic can solve that City should charge into the top.

A lesson in soccer

NEWCASTLE 0
SYDNEY CITY 3

Scorers: Boden 8th, Borges 22nd, Barnes 46th.
Ground: International Sports Centre.
Crowd: 9147.
Weather: Fine and sunny.
Cautions: Barnes (SC), Rooney (N).

Sydney City returned to the International Sports Centre and proceeded to give the local team a football lesson.
In fact, it looked that Sydney City did it without ever getting into top gear.

City was aided by the fact that Newcastle gave its worst performance for a long time.
Being completely outplayed in the midfield, even the always reliable back four started to buckle under the pressure of the penetrating runs of Watson, Barnes, Boden and Stevenson.

It took only eight minutes for the City Seekers to hit the front when Ken Boden headed a close range header past the helpless Jim Preston in the KB goal.

Preston was a last minute replacement for Phil Dendo, who injured a shoulder at training.

Preston gave a faultless performance in goal and cannot be held responsible for any of the three goals scored against him.

A defensive error in the 22nd minute allowed Ken Boden again to break through, draw Preston and slip the ball to the unmarked Borges.

Scoring seemed a formality however Preston managed to recover enough to stop the first attempt, but Borges picked up the rebound and slotted it home.

At that stage KB needed a goal and possibly for 10 minutes or so managed to look dangerous in probably what was Newcastle's best part of the game.

Just before the interval Joe Senkai brought a great save from Clarke when the keeper flung himself to his left to push a ball around the post for a corner.

A great save by a man whom I consider to be the forgotten man of Australian soccer.

If the last few minutes before half time brought a glimmer of hope to the many UD supporters, those hopes were dashed only one minute after the interval when an innocuous cross from the left saw no fewer than three KB players go for the ball only to manage to defeat it over to the unmarked Murray Barnes lurking on the right, and he had no difficulty in beating Jim Preston.

With the score at 3-0 Sydney City started to push the ball around nicely and with the local team failing to apply the pressure the task was made considerably easier.

Eddie Thompson tactics of dropping back Bill Silva and Joe Watson had the desired effect as Sydney City completely dominated the midfield.

In the 75th minute, Peter Boyle stole the ball from John Zydendorf on the left side of the penalty area, and crossed to John Kosmina who headed in number 2, as Zydendorf appealed loudly that Boyle had

tripped him.

Victorian Second Division club Port Melbourne has signed Collingwood forward Peter Tsipagos and Hawthorn

forward John Zydendorf.

Club secretary, Paul Trisley, is quietly confident that the club — and its musicians — will have something to tootle

about.

Laurie Schwab

Tom Anderson

Roger Sherack

So many misses...

HEIDELBERG 4
WEST ADEL 2

Scorers: H'berg: Cole 4th, 9th & 11th, Paton 35th; W. Adel: Atsalas 57th, Kosmina 75th.

Ground: Olympic Park.
Crowd: 4185.
Weather: Fine.
Referee: Bambridge 8.

Jimmy Rooney predicted before this game that Heidelberg would go close to winning the PSL championship and that Gary Cole and Jamie Paton would score up to 30 goals between them.

Heidelberg's whirlwind start against West Adelaide justified both claims but the second half was a little disappointing.

But then, Heidelberg scored head 7-0 by the time Steve Atsalas scored the first goal for West Adelaide.

Cole trampled the five-man West Adelaide defence, scoring three goals in the first 11 minutes. He continued to outrun his opponents on through balls from Pat Bannan.

Rooney, but the ball simply would not go in.

Having scored his hat-trick, and having aided Paton in scoring the fourth goal, Cole broke away again on a solo run just before half time. He was on the left and ran right up to goalkeeper Martin Crook who had come out to narrow Cole's shooting space.

Cole tried to angle his shot past Crook, inside the far post, but missed narrowly.

Cole streaked away again in the 54th minute on a through ball from Bannan, leaving his marker, Tom Forde Jr., for dead. Again Crook came at him, and in attempting to lob over him, Cole hit the bar.

Two minutes later it was a through ball from Rooney that sent Cole galloping clear, with both Forde and substitute Tom Totsikas beaten for pace. As Crook advanced, Cole this time chose to side-foot the ball past the goalkeeper, but he watched in dismay as it trickled past the post.

And so a combination of bad luck, over-anxious play and the good goalkeeping of Crook, had deprived Cole of three goals, which would have boosted his individual tally to six.

He had another chance in the 60th minute when Selelem dribbled past Vic Bozanic to the right of the penalty area and cut the ball back into the middle, where Cole slammed it past the post from eight metres.

West Adelaide lined up with five defenders — Shraga Topolanski sweeping behind Forde and Peter Tymczyszyn who were supposed to be marking Cole and Paton. But everything went wrong too early.

As West Adelaide pushed forward in the fourth minute, Bannan took the ball from Atsalas, ran forward with it, spotted Cole up the field and played it over the big striker's head, so he would run onto it.

Cole, on the left, took the ball and slammed the ball past advancing Crook for the first goal.

The West Adelaide defence panicked, and Heidelberg went for blood. Paton slipped the ball short to Jim Campbell who cut it short and slotted it to Cole, who scored again, with Crook coming in vain.

Then Selelemis robbed an opponent in midfield and played it down the line for Arthur McMillan.

McMillan, who was low centre, was knocked in on the line by Cole, making the score 3-0 after only 11 minutes.

Ten minutes from half time Cole ran through again on a long ball and tried a shot from an angle. It dropped short, and Paton outjumped Topolanski to head home goal number 4.

West coach Gerry Chalid replaced Tymczyszyn with new boy Tom Totsikas at half time and shifted Topolanski from defence to midfield.

But it was the brilliant midfield play of Eric Carrutars, and a slackening off Heidelberg's play, that contributed most to West's lightning.

Atsalas scored from close range after a cross from Graham Moneyman in the 57th minute and soon afterwards Heidelberg goalkeeper Yanka Banovic had to make a brilliant save from a snap shot by Topolanski.

In the 75th minute, Peter Boyle stole the ball from John Zydendorf on the left side of the penalty area, and crossed to John Kosmina who headed in number 2, as Zydendorf appealed loudly that Boyle had

tripped him.

Victorian Second Division club Port Melbourne has signed Collingwood forward Peter Tsipagos and Hawthorn

forward John Zydendorf.

Club secretary, Paul Trisley, is quietly confident that the club — and its musicians — will have something to tootle

Pirie will add power

ST. GEORGE 1
LEICHHARDT 0

Scorers: Kay (5th minute).
Ground: St George Stadium.
Weather: warm.
Crowd: 3,864.
Referee: Tony Boskovic 8.

Cautions: Paul Kay.
This was an interesting clash between two teams in the rehabilitation stages and not yet near their peak.

St George, pursuing an ambitious youth policy, deserved to win and had the better of the exchanges.

They dominated in midfield where their three talented youngsters — youth internationals Paul Kay and Peter Katholos — and former Canberra City star John Davies proved a talented combination.

Leichhardt had no answer. Only former Soccerco Peter Stone looked the part in midfield.

Young Peter Katholos was the best performer on the day. Here is a player of tremendous potential.

His skills are excellent, his vision good and he has the determination to succeed.

The only flaw in his make-up is his lack of pace.

Young Paul Kay is another talented player. He has all the makings of becoming a permanent fixture in the Soccerco team.

However, at the moment, he is a bit impetuous and his enthusiasm gets him carried away at times.

But this is a good fault and the fellow will be a real star with a bit more experience under his belt.

Kay grabbed the goal of the game in the 5th minute when he slipped one past Leichhardt goalkeeper Greg Woodhouse from 15 metres.

The lead-up work was good, with Kay doing the spadework himself, before passing to Davies and then receiving the ball before slotting the ball home.

Kay should have had another goal in the 34th minute but missed badly by five metres with a goal at his mercy.

Saints' finishing left a great deal to be desired but their positive approach was refreshing. They come forward at all times and do not concentrate on negative football.

Leichhardt are in the throes of team-building and there are a number of positions that need strengthening.

Manager-coach Willie Wallace assesses this only too well and is working hard to rectify the weaknesses.

His signing of the two Dundee Strikers, Billy Pirie and John McKie, will be a big help to his cause.

And the quicker these two arrive, the sooner Leichhardt will start collecting PSL points.

In this clash only Soccerco Phil O'Connor was effective up front but he did not have the support to cause a real threat to the Saints defence.

The Leichhardt defence is reasonably solid, with former Soccerco captain Peter Wilson back to his best.

Another pleasing aspect is the form of former Victorian star Bobby McGinn who played a steady game in the right back position.

Leichhardt does not have a lot to worry about, provided its plans to sign new players materialise.

Until they stabilise, both these teams will produce in and out form, getting good results one week and failing the next.

However, both are headed in the right direction.

After the game, Saints' coach Raul Blanco said he was happy with the win and quite pleased with the display of his youngsters.

"I was happy with our mid-field display but a bit dismayed at our failure to finish off the moves," he said.

"Bobby McGinn who could not expect much more at this stage."

"With the players available, I could not expect much more," Wallace said.

KB in tune

Newcastle KB United's decision to form its own band has created considerable interest and gained considerable support in the district.

The announcement created something of a stir, even to produce a bold headlines in local newspapers.

Club secretary, Paul Trisley, is quietly confident that the club — and its musicians — will have something to tootle

Vieri the maestro

MARCONI 9
BLACKTOWN 0

Scorers: Krncevic (4) 22nd, 23rd, 63rd, 76th, Jankovics (3) 49th, 59th, 71st, Sharne 61st, Vieri 65th.

Ground: Marconi Stadium.
Crowd: 5527.
Referee: Richard Lorenz 9.

Cautions: nil.
In the opening minutes of this game, Marconi exploded into action through Peter Sharne, and almost scored.

Sharne was on the spot to accept a pass from Roberto Vieri, then race past a couple of players before crossing into the area for Jankovic to head the ball over the bar.

Seconds later, Sharne was on the spot to fire a thunderbolt from just inside the area that luckily went inches wide of the left upright.

It was a start which knocked the wind out of Blacktown and showed the champion of Australia in true form.

After a bright opening, Marconi went through a period of slow play which suited Blacktown and for a moment, it looked as if the visitors might score a point at the end of Bosley Park. In fact, it was Blacktown and not Marconi that almost snatched the lead in the 13th minute when Warren Turnbull raced almost 35 metres before unleashing a powerful drive which grazed a defender and the upright with Marner desperately diving to his left.

It was then that Marconi burst into action. With 22 minutes gone, it was the Fairfield Express, Peter Sharne, who pushed the ball wide for Vieri, then raced wide to accept a perfect return from the old maestro. His lightning speed carried him past two players before that final cross which was converted by a great header from Eddie Krncevic.

Seconds later, the much improved Peter Raskopoulos was on the spot to beat one defender before finding Eddie Krncevic on the edge of the penalty area. Eddie rounded Stowell with ease before slamming a great left foot drive into the roof of the net.

Within minutes, Eddie Krncevic should have had his hat-trick. Brogan crossed. Sharne allowed the ball to roll to Krncevic, who was no more than ten metres away, and with a free shot at goal. However, he screwed the ball wide of the post.

With seven minutes remaining in this half, Sharne was sent down the flank, yet again by a brilliant pass from Vieri across to the near post found Jankovic, who headed from metres away straight at James.

Blacktown had an opportunity in the stroke of half time and following a cross from Neal Taylor, Peter Brogan failed to clear and the ball ran free for Fisher. His drive was blocked by Alan Marner then cleared by Mariani.

Bruce James failed to hold a great shot by Brogan, minutes after the restart to give Jankovic a chance to move on to the ball and head it over the goalkeeper and into the net.

Six goals followed in the next 17 minutes and that surely must be a record. It was a goal every three minutes and the only question asked during that period was — who will win the goalscoring award?

53th minute: Jankovic scored his second goal after a great move which started with Prskalo and Vieri, and finished with Sharne, who went past two players, before giving Jankovic his chance to score.

61st minute: Jankovic gave his speedy flanker a score by scoring by a cross by Gary Byrne. Jankovic rose high to nod the ball to the feet of Sharne and the Marconi defence needed very little time to turn, then slam a great left foot high into the roof of the net, to make it 5-0.

63rd minute: Eddie Krncevic was on the receiving end of a pass from Peter Raskopoulos, before beating James for the third time in this match — 6-0.

65th minute: Peter Raskopoulos was brought down on the edge of the area and Vieri coolly slotted the ball over the wall of players from a free kick — 7-0.

71st minute: Jankovic made amends to chalk up his hat-trick, following a great shot by Krncevic that rebounded off the upright 8-0.

76th minute: Eddie Krncevic scored the final goal of this game after beating Stowell just inside the area, then slam

med into the goal, to make it 9-0.

Les Scheinflug was naturally a happy man after the game. He was very pleased with Raskopoulos and his effort. "Rasko is coming along just fine. It is very difficult for a player to settle quickly with the new club, but he has already developed a great understanding with Vieri," said Scheinflug.

Eddie Krncevic will certainly cherish this moment of glory for a long time. Four goals in a Philips League game is a personal record and puts him on five goals after two rounds of this year's competition. His ability to score was matched by his overall play, as he beat George Harris repeatedly to create space and put his team in an attacking position.

Peter Sharne and Roberto Vieri are certainly the super duo of this team. Sharne, with his explosive speed and Vieri with the uncanny ability to produce a goalscoring opportunity for his forwards with those deft touches.

Bertie Mariani was in great form at the back and played as in the stopper position as if it was tailor-made for him. He was certainly the surprise packet of this Marconi line-up.

Hungary, Chile?

The Australian Soccer Federation tours committee is expected to meet this week to unravel the tangle over the soccer centenary celebrations.

A tournament between Wales, Northern Ireland, Australia and Yugoslavia was to have marked the centenary, but this fell through when Wales and Yugoslavia withdrew.

Then there was talk that China, Indonesia, Real Madrid and Bayern Munich would tour.

But Indonesia's tour is off, China's hasn't been confirmed and there's no further progress on Real Madrid and Bayern Munich.

ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein is pressing hard for tours by these two super-clubs but now there's a possibility that the international tournament may be revived, with different competitors.

According to ASF secretary Brian le Fevre, Chile and Hungary may be interested in replacing Wales and Yugoslavia, which have pulled out.

But they would not be available until after June 15, which would require Northern Australia to put back its visit by a week.

In short, everything's as clear as mud.

Meanwhile, the match between Australia and the English FA has been switched from June 1 to Saturday night, May 31, under lights at the Sydney Cricket Ground. — LAURIE SCHWAB

And now for TV...

Philips Industries have increased their sponsorship of the Philips League to \$224,000 for this season and the next.

Most of the money again will be spent on the air fares of the 14 competing teams.

Philips' sponsorship in each of the first three years was \$150,000.

Philips also has undertaken to sponsor any TV programme about local soccer.

Networks were talking this week about possible soccer programmes.

It was believed the 10 network would agree to show local soccer on a programme that would include also inter-city matches with players, and perhaps a "golden goals" segment.

However, none of the networks had made a firm commitment. — LAURIE SCHWAB

Croatia to Tasmania

Victorian champion Essendon Croatia will make a whistle-stop visit to Tasmania this weekend.

Croatia will fly to Hobart by plane on Friday night, and return on Saturday in time for its

KB still growing

Newcastle KB United has planned a host of spectacular promotions for its home matches this season.

It has gained a sponsor for each of its matches at the International Sports Centre — more than a dozen in all.

The sponsor for Sunday's match against Sydney City is a well-known organisation, the N.I.B. Health Fund.

The club has formed a girls' marching squad and a girls' cheer squad. Both have been in training for some months and will make their first appearance on Sunday, while the 20X Greater Newcastle Permanent sky-diving team is to float on to the International Sports Centre playing pitch before the start of the main match.

The Supporters' Club caravan, with a wide variety of goods which publicise the club and its activities, will be stationed at the ground for each home fixture.

The demand for permanent seating in the grandstand has been so great that applications must be made in writing to the club, which will allocate the seats.

The donor of the Golden Ball, valued at more than \$2000 at the time it was offered to the club last season, will make a similar gift for the best goal in a home match in 1990.

The sponsor of this competition, which attracted such great interest last year, is a Newcastle firm, Scorer Bullio Dealers.

The judging in 1990 will be on slightly different lines to that of last season. Each month's scorer of the best goal will not be announced as previously and the judges will not make their decision known until the club's Presentation Night in October.

The judges this season will be David Fordham, Sports Director of NBN Channel 3, Ray Baartz, one of Australia's 'greats' in the last 20 years, and Bob Cameron, a former Leeds United player, who was player-coach for Adamstown Rosebuds for several seasons.

The 1979 Golden Ball was won by Kenny Boden, who was overseas and so missed the club's Presentation Night. Before the start of Sunday's match, Mr. Brendan Scorer, one of the principals of Scorer Bullion Dealers, will present the trophy to Boden.

And now the club's Promotions Committee has come up with a plan to form a club band! It may not be long before KB United teams are played on to the ground by the club's own musicians. — JACK MATHEWS.

Norris at Heidelberg

Former Ringwood-Wilhelmina and Croatia star Ollie Norris has been appointed secretary-manager of Heidelberg United.

His initial aim is to start a supporters' club.

Norris saved Footscray J.U.S.T. from relegation when he coached the team in 1988. And, as player-coach, he engineered Croatia's promotion to the State League.

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QSF leader dies

Bill Waddell, president of the Queensland Soccer Federation, died at the weekend.

Mr. Waddell, father of "Soccer Action" and "Courier Mail" writer Bruce Waddell, was the Socceros' tour leader during the recent Oceania Cup tournament in Noumea.

All of "Soccer Action" extended their deepest sympathy to Mr. Waddell's family.

Mr. Waddell, 60, was chairman of the Porry Park Trust.

He was a champion lawn bowler and a brilliant musician before becoming involved in the travel industry.

Aldridge takes off

Prahran Slavia striker Steve Aldridge has 'gone bunk' — plunging his club into further crisis.

Aldridge left Australia and returned to England without informing Slavia, and is unlikely to return.

Slavia midfielder Paul Cooke, who shared a flat with Aldridge, arrived home one night last week and found a note left by the burlly striker, saying he had left the country.

The news of Aldridge's departure stunned club manager Tony Vrzina, who has now lost six players from last season's team.

Vrzina is resigned to losing winger Jim Williams, who has said he won't play again for Slavia Heidelberg Utd and Croydon City have shown interest.

In a practice match last Friday night at the Showgrounds, Croatia defeated Slavia 2-1 with goals by Tommy Cumming and John Gardiner. Cook replied for Slavia.

COBURG 2 (Spiteri 2) FOOTSCRAY JUST 3 (Belic, Smuderevski, Simic).

COBURG: S. Crooks 5 - Daly 5, Scarlett 5, D. Crooks 5, Taylor 5, Jones 4 (6 min) - Malcolm 6, Frankton 6, Hokej 5 - Spiteri 6, Deans 5, Mobilia 5.

FOOTSCRAY: Vidacic 5 - Smuderevski 6, Talevski 5, Tisoki 5, Karic 5 - Curovic 6, Kriar 7, Alavski 6 - Simic 5, Belic 5, Atanasovski 5.

Referee: Roger Powell. Striker Vlatko Belic was rushed to this match when Footscray JUST's Phillips League game against Canberra City at Middle Park was called off at the last minute.

Footscray's second team coach Jim Kriaris thought the run would benefit the youngster, who is set to shoulder JUST's scoring responsibility in the PSL.

But the young forward had a disappointing game, and missed three clear cut chances.

Brunswick new home of Juventus

Victorian State League club Juventus will share the ground of Australian Rules club Brunswick this season.

Its first match there will be against Croydon City on Sunday, April 6.

The ground in Gillon Oval in Victoria Street, Brunswick.

Juventus will pay a nominal rental to Brunswick Football Club of \$100 a game.

Brunswick plays in the Second Division of the Victorian Football Association (VFA).

Brunswick Council has renewed the Football Club's lease of the ground for a period of 10 years, on the condition that Brunswick sub-lets it to Juventus for at least four years.

The council also will make available more money for ground maintenance and will help provide additional training grounds near Gillon Oval.

Juventus secretary Rocco Dizlo explained this week that the club's juniors had been playing in

the City of Brunswick, at Sumer Park, for 15 years.

"In this way we have long been providing a community service, and the Mayor, Cr. Harold Jury, announced at our presentation night last year he would try to accommodate our senior team within the city as well."

The Member for Brunswick, Mr. Tom Roper MLA, also was instrumental in Juventus' move to Gillon Oval. Mr. Roper is a committeeman of the Brunswick Football Club.

FRANKSTON, SLAVIA IN DANGER

State League clubs Frankston City and Prahran Slavia face the possibility of an early and embarrassing elimination from the Victorian Dockerty Cup this weekend.

Frankston will depend heavily on defenders Bob Adams, John Taylor and Dave Cooper, midfielder Chris Valli and forward Tony Young.

These senior players will form the backbone, with promising youngsters Sean Parton and Dave Gilbert expected to perform well.

However, Doveton will be pushing hard for victory, and may pull off the surprise result.

Prahran Slavia has been hard hit by players leaving the club. Six players have now left the club, and manager Tony Vrzina has the difficult task of re-shaping the team.

Slavia's opponent is South Melbourne, the Second Division off-spring of the PSL club.

The team is coached by the shrewd Cedo Kirkovic, who was the man behind many fine Footscray JUST teams.

Last Saturday Circlekovic's team demolished Doncaster Rovers 3-1 in a display that suggests South Melbourne could upset Slavia.

Kirkovic's team includes Steve Carr, the former Green Gully striker, and defender Kiri Kyriakoulas, both of whom have PSL experience.

Carr scored two goals, and he will worry the Slavia defence if given good support from the young South Melbourne team.

Slavia has lost its entire forward line from 1979, two key defenders and a midfielder. The players are Jim Williams, Steve Aldridge, Jim Train, Frank Thompson, Glen Westley and Brian Monaghan.

Success against South Melbourne will depend a lot on sweeper Steve Lawson, who is a tough defender. Youngsters Nigel Haupt and Paul Wade will probably be the full backs with Liam Hoston as the stopper. Fred Neri is the goalkeeper.

The midfield combination could be Dave Pye, Cliff Whiteside and Paul Cooke.

The forward line is likely to be Danny Ward, Dave Griffiths and Mick McGorian. John Cullen, who would normally be a regular with Slavia, has a chipped bone in his foot and will miss several games.

Slavia and Frankston will have hard games. Of the other State League clubs, Altona City is the only one with a potentially difficult game.

Altona is at home to Footscray JUST, the Second Division team coached by Jim Kriaris, who made a comeback as a player last week.

The First Main Round of the Dockerty Cup, first game 1 pm, second game 2.45 pm.

SATURDAY
At Kim Reserve: Millers Road, Altona.
Western Suburbs v Central City.

Altona City v Footscray JUST.
At Green Gully Reserve: St Albans-Kellor Road, St Albans.

Green Gully v Werribee George Cross v Yallourn At Gardiners Creek Reserve: Evans Street, Burwood.
Polonia v Park Rangers Frankston City v Doveton At Wembley Park: Cnr.

Canterbury & Middlesborough Rd., Box Hill.
Northcote City v Altona Gate.

Prahran Slavia v South Melbourne.

SUNDAY
At Chapel Reserve: Anderson Road, Sunshine.
Albion Rovers v Ardeer Sunshine City v Bell Park.

At Croydon Park: Cnr. Springfield Rd. and Mt Dandenong Rd., Croydon.
Ringwood City v Dandenong City.

Croydon City v Box Hill At B. T. Connor Reserve: Cnr. Radford Rd. and Broadhurst Ave., Reservoir.
Juventus v Broadmeadows City.

Preston Macedonia v Melbourne.
At Middle Park.
St Kilda Hawks v Mornington.
Essendon Croatia v Frankston Pines.

— KYLE PATTERSON

BELIC DISAPPOINTING

created by a hard working midfielder.

Kris, who was making a comeback after two years in retirement, was the man of the match. — PETER DESIRA

PARK RANGERS 2 (Scott 2) WAVERLEY CITY 1 (Whitehurst).

Park Rangers advanced to Main Round of the Dockerty Cup with a convincing 2-1 win over Waverley City.

After a fairly even opening, Park Rangers gradually assumed command, despite losing Tom Spalding through injury after only ten minutes.

Freddie Scott put them ahead in a goalmouth scramble at the 24 minute mark.

Waverley levelled early in the second half when Peter Whitehurst neatly headed past Paul Vassiliou after Rangers had failed to clear a corner.

But their joy was short-lived as the irrepressible Scott put Rangers ahead again straight from the kick-off.

BOX HILL 1 (White) HEIDELBERG UTD 1 AET - Box Hill won on penalties.

BOX HILL: Morgan - Leskovec, Brownlie, Taskalidis, Patterson - Valentine, Ramos, McLeod - Taylor injured (Sherman), Cupido injured (Roodhouse), White.

Box Hill failed to turn its superiority into goals against Heidelberg Utd, but scraped through with a victory on penalties.

However, the victory was not without cost, as strikers Ray Taylor and Noel Cupido both had to leave the ground through injury.

Cupido suffered a dislocated shoulder, and had to be taken to hospital. He is likely to miss three games.

Taylor pulled a muscle in his calf, and is a doubtful suarer for this week's game against Croydon City.

Good news for Box Hill is that the transfer of utility Billy Rae from Melbourne may be completed this week.

WERRIBEE 1 (Thomson) SPRINGVALE CITY 0.

WERRIBEE: Dixon - Frazetto, D. Collins, Jasinski, Reardon - Digioachino, J. Collins, Marshall, Mantello - Palsley, Thomson.

Fourth Division club Werribee caused an upset by defeating First Division club Springvale City.

Werribee featured striker Mike Paisley, who last week was bought back from Sunshine City for an undisclosed amount.

Paisley left Werribee for Sunshine in 1979.

DOVETON 2 (Cherry 2) KEYSBOROUGH 0.

DOVETON: Ivanoff - Merrick injured (Robertson), Corke, Thurlow, McConville - Fakos, Bentley, Campbell - Collier (Roderick), McDonald, Cherry.

Doveton met stubborn resistance from Keysborough, but Arthur Cherry's two goals were enough to win the game for the First Division club.

New signing from Whyalla Croatia, Neil Collier, made his debut for Doveton, which lost Ernie Merricks through injury early in the game.

DOCKERTY CUP second preliminary round - scores and available scorers:

Ball Park 3 (Van Der Schy, Ortiz, Skuza) Morwell Falcons 2 (Armstrong 2), Central City 3 (Christanthou, Gregory 2) Nunawading City 2 (K. Middlemast, Long), Coburg 2 (Spiteri 2), Footscray JUST 3 (Belic, Smuderevski, Simic), Dandenong City 3 (Donnelly, Young, Hughes) West Geelong 1 (Stokanovskii, Doncaster Rovers 1 (Barberoglou).

South Melbourne 3 (Carr 2, Augeriadis), Doveton 2 (Cherry 2) Keysborough 0, Fernree Gully 0, Altona Gate 4, Frankston Pines 6 (Bennett 2, Malcolm, Paulding, Mitchell, Irvine) Sandringham City 1 (Lewis), Heidelberg 2 (Gaw 2) Broadmeadows City 4 (O'Neill 2, Belli, Biner) After Extra Time, Box Hill 1 (White) Heidelberg Utd 1 After Extra Time - Box Hill won 5-4 on penalties.

Park Rangers 2 (Scott 2) Waverley City 1 (Whitehurst), Traralgon 0 Ardeer 5 (Olsonowski 2, Obrambalski 2, own goal), Werribee 1 (Thomson) Springvale City 0, Yellourn 4 Knox City 2 (own goal, Shekelleford), Ring Utd 0 Melbourne 1, Monash Uni 0 Mornington 2.

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Australia's Oceania Cup victory was practically ignored by our national press, yet it is one of the most significant successes achieved by the soccerroos.

The calibre of the opposition may not have been high (with the exception of Tahiti) but it must be remembered that the average age of the Australian was 19, whereas their opponents were in their mid-twenties.

The results — 8-0, 11-2, 1-0 and 4-2 — gave the young players tremendous confidence for the future. Many of them played so well that they are sure to be stars in the senior Soccerroo team.

Eddie Krncevic, Greg Woodhouse, Peter Sharne and Arno Bertogna were established soccerroos before the series. Afterwards, coach Rudi Gutendorf named Alan Davidson and George Christopoulos as "certain-

ties" for the 1981 World Cup qualifying series, and for the world tour at the end of this year.

He also sees a big future for Paul Kay and Ian Hunter — especially in the Coca-Cola World Youth Titles next year — and he will continue to monitor the progress of the other young stars.

Australia's future looks particularly bright when its Oceania Cup results are compared with those of New Zealand.

The Kiwis, considered our toughest opponents in the Oceania section of the World Cup qualifying series, crashed 1-3 to Tahiti and 0-4 to Fiji.

New Zealand coach John Adshead, like Gutendorf, took the opportunity

to try out some younger players, but his team included also established internationals Tony Sibley (who played against Australia in the 1973 World Cup series), goalkeeper Richard Wilson who is trying to join Canberra City, Bill DeGraaf, Bobby Almond, Ian Park and Steve Sumner. Adelaide City full back Glenn Dodds was also in the squad, but he could not play due to injury.

Ute Gutendorf, wife of Rudi Gutendorf, acted not only as the Australians' interpreter (she speaks fluent French) but also as "Soccer Action's" photographer.

This is her pictorial record of the 1980 Oceania Cup.

All Oceania Cup results appear in "Asia Watch."



Alan Davidson shoots at goal in the game against the New Hebrides.



The Soccerroos after their 8-0 victory over New Caledonia in their first tournament match, from left, standing: Ian Hunter, Yakka Banovic, Steve Blair, Vic Bozanic, Rudi Gutendorf (coach), George Christopoulos, Danny Moulla. Front: Eddie Krncevic, Arno Bertogna, Paul Key, Alan Davidson, Steve Hogg, and a mascot.



Eddie Krncevic as one of the bearers of the FIFA flag at the opening ceremony.

Australia's games

Details of Australia's games:

NEW CALEDONIA 0 AUSTRALIA 8 (Krncevic 3, Kay 2, Hunter 2, Moullis).

AUSTRALIA: Woodhouse (Banovic 75th), Moullis, Christopoulos, Bertogna, Bozanic — Raskopoulos (Hunter 46th), Davidson, Hogg — Kay, Krncevic, Sharne (Blair 83rd).

NEW CALEDONIA: Delhumeau, Hnajeje, Decolre, Digous, Bearune, Koimredre, Wayewol, Kamba (Iopue 70th), Jacob Xowie Jean Xowie, Korama (Simin 70th).

PAPUA NEW GUINEA 2 (Monagi, Piska) AUSTRALIA 11 (Sharne 4, Hunter 3, Moullis, Krncevic, Bozanic, Bertogna).

AUSTRALIA: Banovic — Moullis, Christopoulos, Bertogna, Bozanic — Raskopoulos (Brusasco), Hogg, Davidson — Kay, Krncevic (Hunter half time), Sharne.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA: Foster, Monagi, Vuluku (injured, sub Kisaklu), Aihl, Torea, Kambe, Mollet, Seph, Piska, Kaore, Dagi.

NEW HEBRIDES 0 AUSTRALIA 1 (Krncevic 22nd)

AUSTRALIA: Banovic (Woodhouse) — Hogg, Christopoulos, Blair, Davidson — Bozanic, Selemidis, Kay — Sharne (inj. sub Brusasco), Krncevic, Hunter (inj. sub Moullis).

NEW HEBRIDES: Delaveure, Kalsaf, Yalette, R. Nangard, Kaspard, Coulon, Nafoul, Kalsakau, -raqura, Jacobet, J. Nangard.

FINAL: TAHITI 2 (Andre Wabealo 10th., Bennett 52nd) AUSTRALIA 4 (Kay 2nd & 38th., Moullis 28th., Bozanic 60th).

TAHITI: le Bihan, Tapu, Temorere, Kenon, Burns, Alfred Webealo, Voirin, Haumani, Waute, Andre Wabealo, Bennet.

AUSTRALIA: Woodhouse (Banovic) — Moullis (Bozanic), Christopoulos, Hogg, Davidson — Raskopoulos, Bertogna, Selemidis — Hunter (Brusasco), Krncevic, Kay.

New Zealand's games

The New Zealand line-ups were:

V. Tahiti 1-3: Richard Wilson, Tony Sibley (capt), Ross Durant, Bill DeGraaf, Glen Adam, Bobby Almond, Alis-tair Elder, Chris Turner, Keith Hobbs, Mike Groom, Steve Sumner.

v. Fiji 0-4: Wilson, Hobbs, Durant, Elder, Gary Welch, Almond, Ian Park, Turner, Mark Armstrong, Groom, Sumner (capt).

v. Solomon Islands 4-0: Frank van Hattum, Sibley (capt), Durant, DeGraaf, Hobbs, Almond, Park, Turner, Armstrong, Groom, Sumner.

ASIA WATCH

Despite winning the Oceania Cup in Noumea, Australia holds only third place in our first "Asia Watch" standings for 1980.

The 1980 standings will cover the period from December 1979 to November 1980 inclusive.

They are based on results of full international and Olympic matches. Results of the Olympic qualifying tournament in Singapore, won by Iran, are yet to be included.

Australia's results in China (four wins, one draw) were classed as B Internationals.

Standings according to results published by FIFA up to late last week:

% success	P	W	D	L	F	A	rate	P
Tahiti.....	4	3	0	1	16	8	75.0	6
New Caledonia.....	4	3	0	1	14	12	75.0	6
Australia.....	7	4	1	2	26	15	64.3	9
Fiji.....	4	2	0	2	11	9	50.0	4
New Zealand.....	3	1	0	2	5	7	33.3	2
Papua-N. Guinea.....	3	1	0	2	6	22	33.3	2
New Hebrides.....	3	0	0	3	6	9	00.0	0
Solomon Is.....	3	0	0	3	1	12	00.0	0

Results:

JANUARY: Australia v Czechoslovakia 0-4, Australia v. Czechoslovakia 0-5, Australia v Czechoslovakia 2-2.

FEBRUARY: New

Caledonia v Australia 0-8.

Papua-New-Guinea v Aus-

tralia 2-11, New Hebrides v

Australia 0-1, Tahiti v Aus-

tralia 2-4, New Caledonia v Fiji

2-1, Fiji v Solomon Islands 3-1.

Papua-New Guinea v New

Hebrides 4-3, New Caledonia v

New Hebrides 4-3, Tahiti v

New Zealand 3-1, Fiji v New

Zealand 4-0, Tahiti v Solomon

Islands 5-0, Fiji v Tahiti 3-6,

New Zealand v Solomon

Islands 4-0, New Caledonia v

New Zealand 8-0.



The first injury — Brian Corrigan, team doctor.



Australian coach Rudi Gutendorf took time to talk to Australian boys a half-hour soccer session in the loved it.

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Socceroos and their spoils, left to right, from top: Mark Brusasco, Alan Davidson, Bill Waddell (leader), Peter Raskopoulos, Rudi Gutendorf (coach), Ian Hunter, George Christopoulos, Armo, a supporter (rear), Danny Moulis, Theo Selemidis, Steve Blair (front left), Yakka Banovic, Eddie, Steve Hogg (behind him), Paul Kay (with Cup), Vic Bozanic (behind him), Peter Sharne, Chris (referee), Greg Woodhouse (front right).



Danny Moulis and Eddie Krncevic, behind him, outnumbered by New Caledonian opponents.



Gutendorf goes over the tactics before the first match, against New Caledonia. The players, left: Kay, Christopoulos, Brusasco, Selemidis, Krncevic, Davidson, Bozanic, Raskopoulos, Hunter, Woodhouse.



Peter Raskopoulos (left) of Marconi turned 18 during the tournament, so the boys put on a party for him. Next to him, from left, are: Joe Senkalski, Mark Brusasco and Theo Selemidis.



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Australian skipper Eddie Krncevic receives the Oceania Cup from the president of the Oceania Confederation, Sir Arthur George, who also is president of the Australian Soccer Federation.



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On the bench four minutes into the final, and Rudi's checking his watch already. Others, from left: Yakka Banovic, Theo Selemidis, Mark Brusasco and Steve Blair.

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Blair shows how far a local kid can go

Steve Blair's triumphant Philips League debut in the opening round of the 1980 season completes a whirlwind eight months for the youngster.

Not so long ago, Blair was known as a promising young defender in Albion Rovers' struggling State League team.

Now he has the world at his feet as an Australian international and a regular in State League debut in 1978 when only 16.

The fact that Blair has made it in a big way is not surprising, as he was earmarked for an exciting future ever since his State League debut in 1978 when only 16.

However, his rapid climb has been perhaps more remarkable than that of any other of the new breed of youngsters to burst on to the Australian scene recently.

Blair started off 1979 as a regular in Albion Rovers' team, which was doomed to failure and was eventually relegated.

But his aggressive and consistent displays at centre back helped avert total disaster for Albion.

Blair was selected in the Victorian youth team and was one of the stars as the Vics won the national championship in Melbourne.

In August, he was again a key player as the Victorian schoolboys team carried off the national championship in Brisbane.

However, Albion's relegation cast a shadow over Blair's career and he decided to leave the club for South Melbourne.

It was an ambitious move by Blair and many people thought he would spend the season on the bench as South Melbourne had experienced players in Frank Munro, Chris Kalafatis and Arthur Xanthopoulos vying for the central defensive positions.

But Blair had other ideas. In an Australia v Victoria youth trial game, he played superbly and caught the eye of national coach Rudi Gutendorf.

Gutendorf was so impressed he named Blair in his squad to play in the Oceania Cup in Noumea. Blair made his international debut against New Hebrides, a game which Australia won 1-0.

Reports of Blair's display reached Middle Park and South Melbourne coach

John Margaritis took the bold step of omitting Scottish international Munro and Australian international Kalafatis to make room for Blair.

Blair didn't let Margaritis down and his performance against Heidelberg Utd further underlined his enormous potential.

Blair is likely to be a key figure in Rudi Gutendorf's plans for the 1981 Coca-Cola World Youth Cup, to be played in Australia.

The youngster is eligible for the tournament and the experience he gains from playing in the PSL this season could make him an automatic choice.

Gutendorf said this week Blair is just the type of player he wants for the stopper's position in the full Soccerroo team. "All he needs is to mature a little more," Gutendorf said.

And so Blair serves as a shining example to all young players, of just how far they can go in Australian soccer. — KYLE PATTERSON



Steve Blair barges at the ball ahead of Croydon forward Dave Brogan.

Winning isn't everything

Learning to compete is of course a vital part of growing up. Because much of our life is spent competing for one thing or another, competing is considered by many as a "basic skill", and it is toward this that most youth sports programs are directed.

The sad truth is that because of the rapid growth of soccer and despite strong rules set down by the Victorian Junior League Management Committee, we often find adults in charge of soccer teams who will use such things as illegal recruiting "loading" teams and changing a players age because of his win-at-all-costs attitude, and in doing this creating problems which are not easy to rectify later.

Young children, if left alone, would compete and if left alone long enough would develop a healthy competitive spirit.

However insistence on fierce competition at too young an age has been found by experts to be detrimental to the youngsters development.

LEIF JENSEN

Just how much competition is good and when it becomes excessive are subjects of debate. Most competition programs recognise only winning and exclude or minimise recognition of such things as sportsmanship, effort and improvement.

The J.L.M.C. has recognised these factors and stopped official competition up to the age of eleven, but we still find adults who are running their own league ladders, creating carnivals where a winner is to be found and still adopting the "win-at-all-costs" attitude.

Few, if any of these adults, will admit to feeling that winning is more important than having fun. Yet, season after season in many ways they show young players by their own behavior that winning IS the most important thing in soccer.

Most importantly, it is from OUR behavior that children

learn what is important and acceptable. Remember, kids are far more affected by what is done than what is said or written in rules or laws.

Some quite unsavory behaviour on the part of young players can be created if they are not yet emotionally able to handle either excessive praise or screaming correction by coaches or parents.

Arrogance towards friends who are not members of the "winning" team, disrespect for opponents and offering of excuses for losing (often even in advance of a tough match) are often found among those youngsters given too much glory too fast.

Defence attitudes, frustration and eventually loss of all motivation to play soccer typifies the player who was told often and in many ways that somehow he and his team did not measure up to other teams. More next week.



He's got the front position again — this time Blair heads clear ahead of Brian Thom of George Cross. Behind them is Robert Mirak.

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CAMPBELL BOSS OF GEORGE CROSS, AJAX SACKS TRIO

Archie Campbell — one of the finest players to wear the colors of George Cross — has returned to his old club as coach.

Campbell, a star winger in the 1960s, has been called in by George Cross to lead the club through a difficult season.

The move comes as a surprise as George Cross had appointed Billy Wilkinson as player/coach late last season, and he had led the team through the Ampol Cup.

Wilkinson has been relieved of the coaching duties, but will remain as a player with George Cross.

Campbell, who won Victorian representative honors, has been coaching Second Division club Knox City.

Before that he coached Box Hill and Mooroolbark Utd, when that club was in the Phillips League.

George Cross president Alf Zahra said he was delighted to have Campbell back at the club.

"Archie has a great knowledge of soccer, and the club is confident he will do an excellent job as coach," said Zahra.

"Our fans have tremendous respect for him, calling him the Stanley Mathews of Victoria during his playing days."

Zahra said Campbell would link up with Eddie Sacco, George Cross' team manager.

"Campbell and Sacco were in the same teams at George Cross," said Zahra, "and had a good understanding on the field. Eddie played right back, and worked well with Campbell on the right wing."

"I think this combination will continue in the area of coaching."

Zahra said the appointment of Campbell came after Wilkinson agreed to step down as coach.

"The club has the opinion that Wilkinson's playing was being affected by the pressures of coaching. He can't concentrate on his game properly, which makes it hard when he is trying to recover from a knee operation."

"It's too hard for him to combine both jobs, so by mutual agreement we decided



Archie Campbell

it would be better if Wilkinson devoted all his time to playing."

Wilkinson led George Cross to the State League championship and State League Cup in 1977 as player/coach, but he has been plagued by injury over the past 1½ seasons.

George Cross is still hoping to retain forward Jim Paparas, who has been training with Phillips League club Heidelberg Utd.

Heidelberg has shown interest in Paparas, but is also considering the purchase of Prahra Slavia winger Jim Williams.

Paparas is still undecided on his future, but George Cross is doing all it can to entice the youngster to stay with the club at least one more season.

Striker Tony Cowan, who was linked with Preston Make-donia, will play with George Cross this season. However, a recurring knee injury is keeping him out of action at present.

Midfielder Damien Morgan is also injured after an accident with a forklift at his job. His foot was injured in the accident.

The George Cross goalkeeping crisis isn't over, but the club has persuaded Svez Matsson to return to training.

Matsson went into retirement early this season, mainly because of a troublesome leg injury, but there is now hope he will agree to play again.

George Cross was rocked early this month when Matsson and young reserve goalkeeper Joe Agius announced their retirement.

Gerry Rice, the club's only other senior goalkeeper, has left Australia for Britain.

Former Essendon Croatia and Preston Macedonia goalkeeper Dime Petrovski is training with George Cross, and may join the club if Matsson decides not to continue his career.

Winger Peter Ebini, who has stood out of soccer for two seasons to establish himself as a top DJ in Melbourne discos, is back in training with Kellor Austria.

Austria as yet hasn't approached George Cross on a possible transfer deal for Ebini.

George Cross defender Ian Runcie, who was bought from Prahra Slavia for \$1,000 last

Victorian round-up with KYLE PATTERSON

season, is likely to join Queensland club Goldcoast Utd.

Francis Milford is off the transfer list and back in training, and Paul Murphy is anxious to re-join the club, but visa problems could prevent such a move.

George Cross has signed young Albion Rovers forward Craig Nisbet. Craig, the younger brother of Albion defender Bobby Nisbet, came into the Rovers first team late last year.

He is a fine prospect, and is a good signing for George Cross.

Ajax sacks three players

Green Gully Ajax has 'sacked' three players — Les Thomson, Peter Donaldson and Steve Carpenter.

Thomson and Donaldson have been put on the transfer list and will be given free clearances, and Carpenter has been de-registered by the club.

The club has been forced to 'sack' the three players in order to conform to Australian Soccer Federation rules on the number of temporary residence visa players allowed at each club.

Green Gully has recruited three temporary residence visa players this season — Jimmy Dunne (Maldstone, England), Gerry Bennett (Windsford Utd, England) and Bill Morrie (Marine, England).

Being allowed to have only three such players, Green Gully was forced to axe Thomson, Donaldson and Carpenter, who are on temporary visas.

Green Gully president Guy Spiteri said the club was reluctant to take such tough measures.

"The club is unhappy to have to get rid of these players," said Spiteri this week, "but we are left with no other choice."

"The ASF rules have put Green Gully, and many other clubs, into a tight corner. There is only one thing the club can do under these circumstances."

Spiteri said Thomson and Donaldson would be cleared to any State League club which can 'accommodate them' — meaning any club which has two or less temporary visa players.

Carpenter is in a different position than Thomson and Donaldson. He has been de-registered by the club, and therefore is not tied with any club in Australia.

As temporary residence players are supposed to be supported by a club (under Immigration Department rules), Carpenter faces the threat of deportation.

"Green Gully signed Carpenter under the misconception that he would be granted permanent residence," said Spiteri. "The club has learned this is not the case, and has de-registered the player with the ASF."

There was speculation on the classification of Jimmy Dunne. As he has played international soccer for the Republic of Ireland, it was thought he could be classified a 'world class' player, and thus mean he wouldn't be counted as a 'temporary'.

However, this is not possible. The ruling on 'world class' players is applied only if the player is making 'guest' appearances with the club — in other words, a short-term stay with the club.

Dunne will sign a three-year contract with Green Gully — a period that couldn't be described as 'short-term'.

Green Gully coach Bobby McLachlan is still searching for a forward. Last week he spoke by telephone to former England star Martin Chivers, but decided not to sign him.

However, a new striker should arrive soon, and the possibility of Steve Carr returning from South Melbourne isn't out of the question.

Sunbury on the move

Provisional League club Sunbury Utd. is set to sign Joe Thompson and David Stokes from Albion Rovers.

Thompson, the former Green Gully Ajax full back, and Stokes, a midgetty midfielder, who boost Sunbury's already strong team.

Coach George Train is confident Sunbury will have a successful season. "We will win

the league, no problems," he said last week.

Train joined Sunbury this season as player/coach from State League club Altona City.

He previously played with Essendon Croatia, and was in that club's team when it won the Ampol Cup in 1977.

However, Train had the misfortune of breaking an ankle at training early in the season. "I broke my ankle about five weeks ago," said Train. "It was pretty serious, and I had to have an operation."

"The plaster comes off today (Wednesday), and I expect to be back in action in about a month's time."

Despite the injury setback, Train has missed only one training session as a coach.

"I've been coaching on crutches," he said, "but of course, I couldn't do any practical demonstrations."

Train added that he was pleased with the progress his team had made.

Sunbury won the Comp Cup on the Moomba weekend, overcoming a field which included several top Metropolitan League teams.

Ironically, Sunbury played Waverley City in the final. Waverley's player/coach is Jim Train, George's brother.



Where-are-they-now department. Former Croatia-Melbourne winger Terry Hargreaves (right), is now starring with Victorian Metropolitan League side Park Rangers. Here he is, opposed by Port Melbourne's Takianos in a recent Dockerty Cup match.

Sunbury has many experienced players, including Roy Collins, Marcus Clarke, Mick Borg and Andy McCulloch.

Ian Reid, who left the club for one season to coach Broadmeadows, has returned.

Add to that list Thompson Stokes and a fit George Train, and Sunbury has an impressive line up.

Sunbury has lost only one player from last season's team, young centre half Alan Blakely, who has joined Croydon City.

The local Bulla council has undertaken to construct a social club 40 squares in size at Sunbury's Langama Park.

The building should be complete midway through this season.

With Williams unlikely to play with Slavia this season, Vrzina faces the task of replacing five players from the 1979 Slavia team, which missed relegation on goal difference only.

Centre half Glenn Westley

and striker Brian Monaghan have returned to England midfielder Jim Train has joined Waverley City as player/coach and full back Frank Thompson is on the transfer list.

McKendry to 'help coaches'

First Division club Box Hill is likely to be paid a visit by Victorian State coach Len McKendry.

McKendry and several of his State players have agreed to run coaching sessions for junior coaches at Box Hill.

Box Hill senior coach Bill Murray will be conducting sessions for the group before McKendry's visit in April some time.

Box Hill has 12 junior teams, taking in 170 players. The club has three junior pitches at St. Pascal's Reserve, which is opposite the club's headquarters at Wembley Park.

One of the junior pitches has floodlighting for night training sessions.

Box Hill's junior coaches this season are: u/16 - Bill Harris, u/15 - Mike Roadhouse, u/14 - John Ireland and Jim Sisonis, u/13 - Ray Sherman, u/12 - Rod Toohy, u/11 - Felix O'Neill, u/10 - John O'Donnell, u/9 - John Wilson, u/8 and u/7 - Tony Ireland.

Williams at Heidelberg

Disgruntled Prahra Slavia forward Jim Williams has been training with Phillips League club Heidelberg Utd.

Williams, who was the centre of a transfer wrangle this season, wants to leave Slavia.

However, Slavia manager Tony Vrzina is adamant Williams will not be 'given away' to any club.

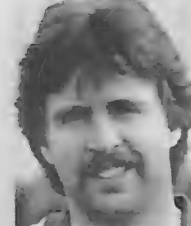
"In all fairness, Waverley was the best team in the Comp Cup," said George, "but Sunbury was able to match Waverley and win the trophy on penalties."

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Hellas president Sam Pappasavas (right) presents Theo Marmaras with a portrait at the dinner given in his honor. Picture by Les Shorrocks.

Tribute to Marmaras

The soccer fraternity paid tribute to Theo Marmaras at a dinner organised by South Melbourne Hellas at its social club last week.

Mr. Marmaras probably has been the single most significant individual in Victorian soccer over the past 25 years. He retired only last year from the presidency of the VSF. He was the longest-serving VSF president, and founder president of Hellas, and also a leading administrator in the Australian Soccer Federation.

It was Mr. Marmaras who negotiated Australia's readmittance to FIFA after a period of suspension over failure by local clubs to pay transfer fees for overseas players.

Mr. Sam Pappasavas, the present president of South Melbourne Hellas, told the dinner that without Theo Marmaras there would not have been a Hellas — "and I emphasise the name 'Hellas'." Mr. Pappasavas added.

"Theo Marmaras has been the inspiration of this club and the voice of soccer to the outside community. He also has been the leader and the voice of the Greek community for 30 years."

"We have invited him to this dinner because we owe him so much. We hope to see Theo at the club often. We want him to remain part of what he has built up."

VSF secretary George Wallace read a telegram from ASF president Sir Arthur George who regretted he was unable to attend but sent his heartiest best wishes.

Mr. John Dimtsis, who has taken over from Marmaras as VSF president, said: "There's no way I can carry on the same way as Theo, for in his representation of the Greek community I could not possibly match him."

"However, Theo, it was you and the influence you had with my father that contributed to me becoming involved in soccer."

VSF chairman and ASF vice-president Michael Weinstein said: "I had the good fortune to work with Theo for 25 years — and that's been my best reward from my involvement with soccer. The only person with whom I have stayed longer than Theo is my wife."

"Thank you for everything — not only for getting me involved in soccer, but also in the South Melbourne club when we built this ground and you gave me the idea to amalgamate the two Greek

Coventry signs Belgian star

From JIM COOK
our European correspondent

Roger Van Gool, the 29-year-old Belgian international striker, has transferred to Coventry City from FC. Cologne for around 250,000 pounds.

Van Gool will commute each week from Cologne to Coventry by air travel, until July when he will move to England.

David Harvey 32 the Leeds United and former Scotland goalkeeper, has moved to Vancouver Whitecaps for a token 40,000 pound fee. Harvey who had been 17 seasons with Leeds had his testimonial game last week.

Johan Cruyff has signed a three year contract with Washington Diplomats which will net him around 700,000 pounds in basic pay plus a similar amount from commercial interests.

Paul Woods, a supporter of Fulham has been banned from the club for life after allegedly trying to organise a take-over bid of the relegation-threatened London second division side.

Woods evidently approached Corals, the bookmakers, to spearhead the take-over bid. Malcolm (Supermac) McDonald, the former Arsenal and England star who is Fulham's chief marketing executive said: "We cannot afford to have people in purely unofficial capacities going off at half-cock."

Sammy Irvine, Stoke City's 23 year-old Scottish midfielder, is out for the rest of the season after having crashed his TR7 sports car. He required, hundreds of stitches for face and head wounds. Irvine will require plastic surgery.

Ted McDougall, the former Manchester United, Norwich, West Ham and Scottish International scoring ace, is to become player-coach of Blackpool. He will be second in command to Alan Ball, who takes over as manager in September. McDougall who is one of the elite to have scored over 200 goals in league football is

still banging them in for Bournemouth.

The North American Soccer League has extended its programme, which begins on March 26, to last until August 24. English players on loan, whose clubs reach the WASTL final, will miss the first five weeks of the English domestic season.

Trevor Francis of Nottingham Forest has signed a lucrative deal with German sportswear firm Adidas.

Osvaldo Ardiles of Spurs will be a spectator when Argentina plays England at Wembley on May 13. Argentine manager Cesar Menotti has said he will only use players playing in Argentina.

The Professional Footballers Association in England has warned players not to sign for American clubs until their contracts have been thoroughly vetted by the PFA.

Arsenal and A.S. Roma will travel to the USA in May to play against New York Cosmos and Vancouver Whitecaps in the first Transatlantic Challenge Cup.

Santilana, the Real Madrid centre forward, had a kidney removed when he was struck down with a renal ailment in 1973. He has also suffered a serious eye injury during his career.

Show-Biz celebrity Eric Morely, who runs and organises the Miss World contests, played with St. Mirren as a winger for two years.

Los Angeles Aztecs, reported to be heavily in debt, have new owners — a Mexican consortium which includes the owner of the Los Angeles Rams, Art Rounsaville, and Rinsus Michels, who took Cruyff to Aztecs, has quit the Los Angeles side.

MIKE JOHNSON

The recent controversy regarding David Jones move from West Adelaide to Adelaide City was interesting to me because it was I who originally signed Jones for West Adelaide.

There is an equally interesting story regarding the Jones signing, which is worth relating.

Jones had been recommended to me by fellow West Australian State team player, Gordon McCulloch, whom I previously had signed for West Adelaide.

I negotiated a transfer fee of \$3000 for Jones by phone with Jones' West Australian club. I then asked the West Adelaide club to allow me to go to Perth to finalise the agreement with Jones.

The club, through its secretary, Jim Carapetis, refused me permission to do this, saying it would be better to send a contract to Jones through the post and thus save their return air fare to Perth.

I pointed out that other clubs were interested in Jones, including Adelaide City and that I should be allowed to finalise the contract with Jones immediately.

The cost of the flight was brought up again and permission was refused.

The following evening during a training session with the West Adelaide first team squad I was approached by two West Adelaide committee members who told me they had been informed that Adelaide City was sending a representative to Perth the next day to sign Jones and midfielder, Gary Marocchi.

The time was then about 8 pm.

I wound up the training, went to my motel and hastily got changed, ready to catch the last train to Perth.

I knew that I could not sign Jones without first giving him a contract. I had been most emphatic about that.

I had \$1000 in my cheque account.

ADELAIDE CITY GETS ITS MAN — AFTER THREE YEAR WAIT

Gordon McCulloch, who had only just moved over from Perth and was living in the same motel, had about \$1000 on him.

I borrowed that money from him, caught the plane, met Jones and his club officials at midnight at Perth airport and finalised the deal.

I wrote a cheque for \$2000 (Jones had then only \$1000 in my account) and added to that the \$1000 borrowed from McCulloch.

Then I caught the next plane back to Adelaide, arriving weary but happy, back at the southern capital about 5 am and went straight to my motel for a sleep.

I had hoped that I may get some thanks from my club for my resourcefulness in snaring Jones.

Instead, a week later, came a letter saying that I must not act against committee directives.

The final irony is that Adelaide City now gets Jones as a fully fledged international player for \$5000.

During our negotiations Jones, an intelligent well-educated man, insisted that he must be freed for no more than the \$3000 West Adelaide paid for him if he desired to leave West Adelaide.

I said that if he gave us good service he could go for \$5000 at the end of a three-year contract.

Jones in fact has given West Adelaide three years of excellent service, winning Australian honours in the process.

As for the so-called agreement between the two Adelaide clubs that they would not poach each other's players, that was broken at the very start of the Phillips League when West Adelaide signed John Kosmina who had been asked to sign for Adelaide City.

The whole transfer system in Australia at State and national levels needs to be reorganised, with precise rules laid down to prevent the current controversies such as the Valerie-Giampaolo fracas which took so much haggling before it was resolved in Canberra.

Meanwhile the tables have been turned and West Adelaide has lost a stopper whom it hardly stopped to get three years ago, and Adelaide City has got itself the man it was seeking to replace former stalwart, Frank Lester.

Bobby Charlton is as valuable as a company man off the field, as he is as a player on it. This is the opinion of Dunlop's marketing Manager for Sport in Australia, Terry Seacy.

Seacy says Charlton is a wonderful example to many of our clubs and especially our players, many of whom abuse the sponsorships provided by companies.

"Too many of our clubs and players do not realise that there is an obligation which goes with sponsorship," he said.

"My company can cite instances where we have given players free boots and travelling bags and players have used the boots but chose to carry an opposition company's bag."

Dunlop this season will plough \$80,000 sponsorship into the Phillips League alone.

It is naturally not an appreciative when it sees that sponsorship abused by thoughtless players and clubs.

Mr. Seacy said Charlton had given outstanding value to his company in Australia where he has been promoting Dunlop products.

"Charlton is used as a consultant by numerous companies in Britain," he said.

"He also is a successful businessman in his own right, so he knows what companies are looking for when they spend money on promotion and sponsorship."

Charlton, even at 42, is still good value on the soccer field as he proved with Blackburn City.

"Remember playing at Old Trafford for Fulham when Charlton was a dynamic left winger with awesome power in his left foot and devastating speed off the mark."

Everytime he touched the ball there was a shrill cry of expectation from the crowd.

In those days she was a moody, power player who graduated from a mature midfielder, probably the most popular soccer player England has produced, ahead of the 100 capped Bill Wright of Wolves and the legendary Sir Stanley Matthews.

According to Terry Seacy not only is he still showing us how to play the game, but also how to play it where it matters just as much for the people whose money is so important to soccer's development.

"Soccer Action" writer Ted Smithies should look at soccer with greater knowledge and depth before he starts making dogmatic criticism like that which he levelled at me for Wollongong United's Ampol Cup final defeat against Bankstown.

He said that Wollongong, under my instructions, played defensively with only two men up front, and consequently this destroyed our attacking flair.

In fact I did not instruct our team to play defensively and for the first time in the Ampol Cup we played with three men up front against Bankstown.

In our previous three undefeated Ampol Cup games, when he accredits us with attacking flair, we played only with two men up front.

You often hear games the way the opposition allows you to play.

In previous games against Kuringai and Marrickville, one of these teams had defence as open and suspect as our own, and this was the reason both these teams failed to make the quarter finals.

Because of terribly suspect defences, our games against Kuringai and Marrickville were quite spectacular for the goals scored, 3-3 and 4-4.

Against Croatia's better defence and that of Bankstown we scored only one goal, each from the penalty spot.

Mr. Smithies does not give Bankstown enough credit for the way they played against us. They are a very aggressive and tight marking team.

Neither did he mention the fact that when we got our equalising captain John Bingham came off injured and striker Vasco Dalkovski was completely subdued with a dislocated collar bone.

Dalkovski was injured in the tackle which produced our penalty, not Sattin as reported by Mr. Smithies.

I can take criticism which is well founded, but I do not take kindly to dogmatic blame from a person who is not even able to detect when my team is playing with three strikers or two.

Before a man points the finger so emphatically he should make sure that he knows what he is talking about.

VICTORIAN FIXTURES

AMATEUR LEAGUE

Round 1 — Sunday 13th April: Bundoora v Chadstone, Concord v Maccabi Hakohah, Macleod United v Lyndale United, Meadow Park v RMIT, Melbourne Uni Amateur v Balwyn City, Hosia United v Latrobe University, Kooyong Rangers v Bye.

Round 2 — Sunday 20th April: Latrobe University v Kooyong Rangers, Balwyn City v Hosia United, RMIT v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Lyndale United v Meadow Park, Maccabi Hakohah v Macleod United, Bye v Bundoora, Chadstone v Concord.

Round 3 — Sunday 27th April: Concord v Bundoora, Macleod United Chadstone, Meadow Park v Maccabi Hakohah, Kooyong Rangers v Lyndale United, Latrobe University v RMIT, Balwyn City v Bye.

Round 4 — Sunday 18th May: RMIT v Balwyn City, Lyndale United v Latrobe University, Maccabi Hakohah v Kooyong Rangers, Bye v Macleod United, Bundoora v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Concord v Meadow Park.

Round 5 — Sunday 25th May: Meadow Park v Macleod United, Melbourne Uni Amateur v RMIT, Kooyong Rangers v Balwyn City, Kooyong Rangers v Balwyn City, Latrobe University v Bye.

Round 6 — Sunday 4th May: Balwyn City v Latrobe University, Bundoora v Lyndale United, RMIT v Bye.

Round 7 — Sunday 11th June: International Match — Australia v England (Sydney).

Round 8 — Sunday 8th June: Lyndale United v RMIT, Maccabi Hakohah v Balwyn City, Bye v Meadow Park, Chadstone v Kooyong Rangers, Concord v Hosia United, Macleod United v Melbourne Uni Amateur.

Round 9 — Sunday 15th June — Reserved for International Match (ASF).

Round 10 — Sunday 22nd June: Melbourne Uni Amateur v Meadow Park, Hosia United v Macleod United, Kooyong Rangers v Concord, Latrobe University v Bundoora, Balwyn City v Chadstone, RMIT v Maccabi Hakohah, Lyndale United v Bye.

Round 11 — Sunday 29th June: Maccabi Hakohah v Lyndale United, Bye v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Chadstone v RMIT, Bundoora v Balwyn City, Concord v Latrobe University, Macleod United v Kooyong Rangers, Meadow Park v Hosia United.

Round 12 — Sunday 6th July: Hosia United v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Kooyong Rangers v Meadow Park, Latrobe University v Macleod United.

sity, RMIT v Kooyong Rangers, Lyndale United v Hosia United, Maccabi Hakohah v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Bye v Concord, Chadstone v Meadow Park, Bundoora v Macleod United.

Round 11 — Sunday 11th May: Macleod United v Concord, Meadow Park v Bundoora, Bye v Chadstone, Hosia United v Maccabi Hakohah, Kooyong Rangers v Lyndale United, Latrobe University v RMIT, Balwyn City v Bye.

Round 12 — Sunday 18th May: RMIT v Balwyn City, Lyndale United v Latrobe University, Maccabi Hakohah v Kooyong Rangers, Bye v Macleod United, Bundoora v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Concord v Meadow Park.

Round 13 — Sunday 25th May: Meadow Park v Macleod United, Melbourne Uni Amateur v RMIT, Kooyong Rangers v Balwyn City, Kooyong Rangers v Balwyn City, Latrobe University v Bye.

Round 14 — Sunday 1st June — International Match — Australia v England (Sydney).

Round 15 — Sunday 8th June: Lyndale United v RMIT, Maccabi Hakohah v Balwyn City, Bye v Meadow Park, Chadstone v Kooyong Rangers, Concord v Hosia United, Macleod United v Melbourne Uni Amateur.

Round 16 — Sunday 15th June — Reserved for International Match (ASF).

Round 17 — Sunday 22nd June: Melbourne Uni Amateur v Meadow Park, Hosia United v Macleod United, Kooyong Rangers v Concord, Latrobe University v Bundoora, Balwyn City v Chadstone, RMIT v Maccabi Hakohah, Lyndale United v Bye.

Round 18 — Sunday 29th June: Maccabi Hakohah v Lyndale United, Bye v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Chadstone v RMIT, Bundoora v Balwyn City, Concord v Latrobe University, Macleod United v Kooyong Rangers, Meadow Park v Hosia United.

Round 19 — Sunday 6th July: Hosia United v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Kooyong Rangers v Meadow Park, Latrobe University v Macleod United.

v Bundoora, Lyndale United v Chadstone, Maccabi Hakohah v Bye.

Round 12 — Sunday 13th May: Bye v Hosia United, Chadstone v Maccabi Hakohah, Bundoora v Lyndale United, Concord v RMIT, Macleod United v Balwyn City, Meadow Park v v Latrobe University, Balwyn City v Lyndale United, Maccabi Hakohah v Kooyong Rangers.

Sunday 20th July — Reserved for International Match.

Round 13 — Sunday 27th July: Kooyong Rangers v Hosia United, Melbourne Uni Am v Latrobe University, Balwyn City v Meadow United, Lyndale United v Concord, Maccabi Hakohah v Bundoora, Bye v Chadstone.

Round 14 — Sunday 3rd August: Chadstone v Bundoora, Maccabi Hakohah v Macleod United, RMIT v Meadow Park, Balwyn City v Lyndale United, Lyndale United v Balwyn City, Maccabi Hakohah v Bundoora, Bye v Kooyong Rangers.

Round 15 — Sunday 10th August: Kooyong Rangers v Latrobe University, Hosia United v Balwyn City, Melbourne Uni Amateur v RMIT, Meadow Park v Lyndale United, Macleod United v Maccabi Hakohah, Bundoora v Bye, Concord v Chadstone.

Round 16 — Sunday 17th August: Bundoora v Concord, Chadstone v Macleod United, Maccabi Hakohah v Meadow Park, Lyndale United v Melbourne Uni Amateur, RMIT v Hosia United, Balwyn City v Kooyong Rangers, Bye v Latrobe University.

Round 17 — Sunday 24th August: Latrobe University v Balwyn City, Kooyong Rangers v RMIT, Hosia United v Lyndale United, Melbourne Uni Amateur v Maccabi Hakohah, Concord v Bye, Meadow Park v Chadstone, Macleod United v Bundoora.

Round 18 — Sunday 31st August: Concord v Macleod United, Bundoora v Meadow Park, Chadstone v Lyndale United, Lyndale United v Kooyong Rangers, RMIT v Latrobe University, Bye v Balwyn City.

Round 19 — Sunday 7th September: Balwyn City v RMIT, Latrobe University v Lyndale United, Kooyong Rangers v Maccabi Hakohah, Macleod United v Bye, Hosia United v

Amateur v Bundoora, Meadow Park v Concord.

Round 20 — Sunday 14th September: Bye v Hosia United, Meadow Park, Concord v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Bundoora v Lyndale United, Concord v RMIT, Macleod United v Balwyn City, Meadow Park v v Latrobe University, Balwyn City v Lyndale United, Maccabi Hakohah v Kooyong Rangers, Bye v Latrobe University, Lyndale United v Balwyn City, Bye v RMIT.

Round 21 — Sunday 21st September: RMIT v Lyndale United, Lyndale United v Maccabi Hakohah, Meadow Park v Bye, Latrobe University v Chadstone, Kooyong Rangers v Bundoora, Hosia United v Concord, Melbourne Uni Amateur v Macleod United.

Round 22 — Sunday 28th September: Meadow Park v Melbourne Uni Amateur, Macleod United v Hosia United, Concord v Kooyong Rangers, Bundoora v Lyndale United, Lyndale United v Balwyn City, Maccabi Hakohah v RMIT, Bye v Lyndale United.

Round 23 — Sunday 5th October: Lyndale United v Maccabi Hakohah, Melbourne Uni Amateur v Bye, RMIT v Chadstone, Balwyn City v Bundoora, Latrobe University v Concord, Kooyong Rangers v Macleod United, Hosia United v Meadow Park.

Round 24 — Sunday 12th October: Melbourne Uni Amateur v Hosia United, Meadow Park v Kooyong Rangers, Macleod United v Latrobe University, Concord v Balwyn City, Bundoora v RMIT, Chadstone v Lyndale United, Bye v Maccabi Hakohah.

Round 25 — Sunday 19th October: Hosia United v Bye, Maccabi Hakohah v Chadstone, Lyndale United v Bundoora, RMIT v Concord, Balwyn City v Macleod United, Latrobe University v Meadow Park, Kooyong Rangers v Melbourne Uni Amateur.

Round 26 — Sunday 26th October: Hosia United v Kooyong Rangers, Latrobe University v Melbourne Uni Am, Meadow Park v Balwyn City, Macleod United v RMIT, Concord v Lyndale United, Bundoora v Macleod United, Chadstone v

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● Heidelberg United, previously known as Ellroy-Alexander, was promoted to the Victorian State League in the third time in 1969, although it was only in 1963 and 1965, but relegation followed quickly. After the club was reformed in 1969 Heidelberg finished 10th in 1970 and 11th in 1971 and 1972 before the election of Jim Mangopoulos as president heralded a new era for the club. It finished sixth in 1973, fourth in 1974 and, with Manny Pouliakakis as coach, it won the 1975 championship. Heidelberg entered the Philips League in 1977 and since then has been Melbourne's most PSL successful club, finishing third, fifth and second. Pat Bannon and Jim Rooney are joint playing coaches. Heidelberg's Soccerers are Tansey, Cole, Selenidis, Banovic, Rooney, Campbell and Yandoom.

Clubs throughout Australia, in all divisions, are invited to participate in our new "Club Close-up" feature.

Clubs will be spotlighted in full-page team pictures like the one on this page. They will serve as pin-up posters for fans and players alike.

Any club that wants to be featured is in-

vited to send us a quality photo of its senior squad. We also request names of players and their previous clubs and a brief two-or-three line club history. Photos should be black and white.

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ZIKA NIKOLIC
NEPOTREBAN ODMOR
Oдавno JUST-ov tabor nije bio tako optimistički raspolozhen kao prošle subote, pred utakmicu sa Canberrom City. Razumljivo je razočarenje koje je nastalo, kada se čulo da zbog iznenađujućeg strajka na aerodromu glavnog grada Australije, protivnik "plavih" nije mogao doći u Melbourne. Utakmica je odložena za kasnije, možda kraj sezone, kada uslovi neće biti tako povoljni kao prije. Trener JUST-a Lilić bio je ujedben da će njegovi momci postići ubjedljivu pobjedu, koja im je nesretno izmakla u Brisbanu. Slično su mislili igrači, koji su povratili samopouzdanje i kondiciju.
Međutim, trener i igrači JUST-a ne moraju dugo da čekaju, jer im se već iduće subote pruža prilika da ostvare svoja obećanja i zelte pred svojim navijačima u Melbourneu. JUST igra protiv Brisbane Lionsa na Middle Parku u subotu 22. marta. Početak u 3 sata po podne.

**DISTRICT CUP
A LA SALUD**



**PELIGRO DE
GOOOOOLLLLL**
— Oscar Perea

GANARON LOS TRES

West Melbourne 2	Burnley S.C. 2	West Brunswick 4
Altona United 0	Pascoe Vale 1	Clarinda 2

En un partido de trámite normal y con un final lamentable, la fractura de tibia del jugador Yugoslavo ROLABEL del ALTONA UNITED, los GAUCHOS ganaron su primer partido por la DISTRICT CUP. Con la ausencia del referi oficial y bajo el arbitraje del Presidente del ALTONA los Gauchos formaron así:
WEST MELBOURNE: CISTERNIA-CALOMINO-PAVA-HRO-GARCIA-RUIZ-SANCOS-SANCHEZ-VALDEZ (ACHEDDO)-REPOTOS-BARIS-CIO-Goles-ERISIOJO y CA. OLIMP. Publico- Gran sorpresa mucho aliento para los ganadores.
En una tarde hermosa para la practica del futbol, en un campo en regulares condiciones los Gauchos dieron el primer examen de la temporada.
Jugaron en general bien, en forma pareja, mostrando orden y deseos de "encontrarse" con pelota bien jugada y llegando en forma contundente.
Las figuras para destacar, el legendario "MANIJA MOYANO" y una figura joven NESTOR SANCHEZ. Otra sorpresa, un joven jugador hecho en el West Melbourne, Jorge Briscio, que demostro una vez mas la contundencia de su tiro y su oportunidad. Se destacaron RUIZ que debuto y el resto acompaño en buen nivel.
Para el ALTONA UNITED, solo la fuerza, varias corridas y la clasica "lucha" de estos equipos.
Los goles, producto del oportunismo de BRISIOJO y la experiencia de JORGE "CAU DILLO" CALOMINO.
Lamentablemente y a solo 6 minutos del final en una desesperada jugada el jugador C. ROLABEL disputando una pelota con MATADOR REPOTOS, se fracturo la tibia. Retirado por la Ambulancia fue internado en el Hospital de Footscray.

En un campo que invitaba a jugar, con mucho publico y el aliento constante de la barra Espanola, LOS CHAVALES, ganaron muy bien y pudieron golear a un rival que solo atino a defenderse.
BURNLEY S.C. CLUB: LOPEZ-LETRAN-P. CALLE-LOCHET-QUINAREY-J. PINAS-HERNANDEZ-A. SAAVEDRA-J. CALLE-ORTIZ-SAZ-Sin cambios y con la Direccion Tecnica de JUAN CALLE y con la colaboracion del jugador COHOA y MARCEL LOPEZ como asistentes, los espanoles debieron afrontar este compromiso con un equipo que aunque entrena y se conoce, ofrecia dudas. La falta de Director Tecnico, ante la renuncia del señor SUTSIEDOS, no fue obstaculo para que los espanoles pudieran regresar felices a FITZROY. Buen triunfo y no se goleo porque eran tantas las ganas que se queria penetrar en la porteria con BALON Y TODO.
LOS CHAVALES demostraron lo que valen y el medio campo fue el que mas lucio, HERMANO bajando siempre a recibir solo y el incansable trabajo de J. PINAS y RALLE (JUAN FURIA), dieron solides a un equipo que desde el primer momento demostro que estaba para ganar.
Un parrafo especial para LOPEZ. El portero espanol que tiene la responsabilidad de reemplazar al transferido LLANARADA SAAVEDRA. LOPEZ, demostro estar a la altura del equipo, saliendo bien, y deteniendo varias pelotas con destino de gol.
Los goles, Arturo SAAVEDRA y ORTIZ ambos en buenas jugadas. Saz, J. Calle y Ortiz se "comieron" varios.
El PASCOE VALE, poco mostro, defendiendo se como pudo ante un equipo que lo mupo en forma colectiva y individual.

En la Universidad de Monash, con mucho publico y ganas de triunfo los Charrus debutaron en la DISTRICT CUP ganando bien y de jando un saldo de muy buen futbol.
WEST BRUNSWICK: MARINO-M. SUAREZ-SYLVEIRA-GRANDE-D'ANGELO-SALVO-VELLZOSO (LA GRACA)-RODRIGUEZ-GOMEZ-PAGANI O. SUAREZ-
A los pocos minutos de comenzado el partido, la parcialidad URUGUAYA explota ante el gol olimpico del puntero izquierdo OSCAR SUAREZ. Desde ahí en mas, "los celestes" llevaron a la defensa del CLARINDA a defenderse casi con desesperacion, creando susto tras susto. Los goles rondaban al golero del CLARINDA y se fueron concretando. En jugada desafortunada el segundo gol llega en contra de la defensa Inglesa.
El tercero ALVARO SALVO y el cuarto PAGANI que debuto oficialmente. Todos en el primer tiempo. Pero nada de "sobrar", por que en dos oportunidades, cuando HANIBO estaba venido, el balón dio en el palo y ahí cerraron los ojos todos. Esas dos jugadas hubieran complicado el partido, pero, tambien los palos forman parte del juego y para eso estan, sino que le pregunten a FILLOL.
Los URUGUAYOS jugaron bien, se engollocinaron con la pelota especialmente en el segundo tiempo, por eso llegaron los goles del CLARINDA. En general, ALVARO SALVO y PAGANI han traído mas futbol al WEST BRUNSWICK, dejando un poco para el recuerdo la imagen de fuerza de las primeras temporadas. Dirigidos por Washington Gonzalez, el popular NINO se encuentra con la COPA 1980 con la posibilidad de mostrar autentico futbol sudamericano en un plantel fuerte y disciplinado.
La figura para destacar, OSCAR SUAREZ y MIGUEL SUAREZ bien, el resto acompaño y cumplio una buena labor.

DUELO CRIOLLO: EL DOMINGO ARGENTINA vs URUGUAY

El proximo domingo se han de enfrentar por las eliminatorias de la DISTRICT CUP 80, los primeros equipos del WEST MELBOURNE y WEST BRUNSWICK en campo que aun no se ha designado. Puede ser BOX HILL, PO LONIA MARIYBONGNOC o WAWERLEY CITY, todos cerrados y a prueba de HINCHADAS. El Comité de Futbol del

WEST MELBOURNE que hara las veces de local a disruesto todo lo necesario para que POLICIA, y ASISTENCIA MEDICA, cubran el encuentro. Se preparan varios actos previos antes del partido y los tres jueces han de ser sorteados de una lista de Primera Division que pondra

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Barcelona, the famous team of Spain, has obtained the Argentinian, Herrera, as a coach.
Herrera has been working for the past 20 years in Italy.
Scottish international Bruce Rioch has declined an offer from the American team, Seattle.
He was offered \$50,000 to play with the team for one year, but Rioch was asking \$75,000.
Here it is again!!!!
The American team, Strikers, will pay \$1 million to New York Cosmos to obtain the international Brazilian player, Francisco Marinho.
And since we have mentioned New York Cosmos, it is worthwhile to say that they are interested in obtaining the famous Greek player, Mimis Papaioannou, who at the moment is playing with a Cyprian team in America.
Scottish goalkeeper, David Harvey, 32, received \$30,000 compensation and left Leeds, after playing with them for 17 years, to go to play with the Canadian team, Vancouver.

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This week's match: v **CANBERRA CITY** at
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GROUND: Lambert Park
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This week's match: v **MARCONI** at
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BLACKTOWN CITY S.C.

62 Seven Hills Road North, Seven Hills 2147. Phone 624 3344

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COACH: M. Jones

GROUND: Gabbie Stadium, Quinn Ave, Seven Hills

COLOURS: white, red black trim,
black, red white trim
black red white

This week's match: v **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED**
at Gabbie Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



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This week's match: v **LEICHHARDT** at
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COACH: M. Carson

GROUND: Lions Stadium, Pine Rd, Richlands,
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This week's match: v **FOOTSCRAY** at
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COLOURS: Blue & White

This week's match: v **WEST ADELAIDE** at
Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

SECRETARY: Max Talbot (W) 48 8917 (A.H.) 88 5078.

COACH: V. Fernandez

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce

SPONSOR:

BRIAN POLLOCK Ford

This week's match: **ADELAIDE CITY** at
Bruce Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm



ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIA AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

GENERAL MANAGER: L. Bordacs (02) 269 2745.

COACH: R. Blanco

GROUND: St George Stadium, Rockdale

Colours: Red, White & Green

This week's match: v **BRISBANE CITY** at
Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 3 pm



HEIDELBERG UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY: A. Loustas 419 2588.

COACHES: J. Rooney & P. Bannon

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb.
(03) 42 0642.

COLOURS: Black & Gold

COACHES: J. Rooney & P. Bannon

This week's match: v **SYDNEY CITY** at
Sydney Sports Ground (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



SYDNEY CITY

61 HALL ST., BONDI, NSW.

SECRETARY: P. Russell (phone) 02 30 3344

COACH: E. Thomson

GROUND: E. S. Marks Field

Colours: Sky Blue White Hoops, White Shorts,
Red Socks

This week's match v **HEIDELBERG** at
Sydney Sports ground (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm



FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: R. Ilie

GROUND: Western Oval, Barkly St, Footscray

COLOURS: Blue White Red.

This week's match: v **BRISBANE LIONS** at
Middle Park (Melbourne) Saturday 3 pm



WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311.

COACH: G. Chaldi

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh.

COLOURS: Blue white stripes - Blue Shorts

This week's match v **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at
Hindmarsh Stadium (Adelaide) Sunday 2-30 pm

